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Gov. Reeves extends mask mandate



Gov. Tate Reeves during Monday's press briefing.

ECHO STAFF

Gov. Tate Reeves on Monday extended the Safe Return Order for two more weeks, which includes the statewide mask mandate, in an effort to curb the spread of COVID-19.

"The next 10 days are critical," Reeves said during his press conference. "If you look at our seven day rolling average and total number of cases, we are about where we were just before July 4."

In regards to K-12 organized events, Executive Order 1520 states, "Attendance at K-12 outdoor and indoor organized extracurricular events,

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Bay daycare owner jailed for alleged child abuse

ECHO STAFF

A Bay St. Louis daycare owner was arrested on Saturday and charged with three counts of abusing



Connie Cuevas

a child.

Bay St. Louis Police Chief Gary Ponthieux Jr. said that officers arrested Connie Cuevas at her in-home daycare at 956 Old Spanish Trail.

"On Aug. 27, the Bay St. Louis Police Department received a complaint alleging child neglect of a juvenile at a home daycare ... which is owned and operated by Connie Cuevas," Ponthieux said. "The initial investigation was conducted jointly by the Bay St. Louis Police Department, Mississippi Child Protective Services, and the Children's Safe Center medical team. As a result of the in-

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Waveland removes longtime eyesore



PHOTOS BY CASSANDRA FAVRE | SEA COAST ECHO

Crews with Morreale Construction tear down the structures at the location of the former Travel Inn Express.

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Last week, crews demolished all structures located at 467 Hwy. 90 in Waveland, the location of the former Travel Inn Express.

Back in June, the Waveland Board of Mayor and Aldermen declared the property a menace to public health and safety, due to the dilapidated and unsafe conditions of the structures. There was also overgrowth and debris on the property, Waveland Building Official Josh Hayes told the board at

the June meeting.

On Aug. 4, the board awarded the demolition to Morreale Construction for "lowest, best, and most responsive" quote in the amount of \$21,500.

Mayor Mike Smith said that now that the building is finally gone, it feels good.

"The process was very lengthy," he said. "We're very precautions when it comes to demolishing properties. This is just another one of our efforts to clean up the Highway 90 corridor to make it more attractive."



Hancock Sheriff's Office warns of scam targeting older residents

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

Hancock County Sheriff Ricky Adam said last week that residents should beware of a scam in which a "female in scrubs is targeting elderly people and stealing items from within their home."

"This has been going on since at least June," Hancock Investigator Cole White said Wednesday. "There's one in the Bay, one in Waveland, and there are perhaps other incidents that haven't been reported."

White said that in the first reported incident on June 16, an 87-year-old woman was approached at her residence in Bay

St. Louis by a black woman who appeared to be somewhere between mid-30s and 40s, standing approximately 5'7" to 5'9" with a stocky build. The woman was wearing what looked like a possible wig or weave, and was wearing blue scrubs and a pink cloth face mask.

"The unknown female insisted she was trying to collect money for a charity and worked at Oschner's," White said. The woman entered the victim's house and took her purse, White said. The victim was later notified that multiple bank cards/credit cards belonging to her had been used at the CVS located in Diamondhead with unauthorized transactions that added up to

more than \$1,000.

On Aug. 15, White said, a 60-year-old woman was approached at her home in Waveland by a woman matching the description in the previous case. This time, the woman was wearing green scrubs and a face mask with some sort of badge.

In both incidents, Adam said, the suspect was driving either a silver, gold or brown sedan — one victim said it was a Mercedes, the other a Lexus.

In the Waveland case, White said, the suspect asked the would-be victim to let her enter

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Hancock School District implements district wide distance learning

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Hancock County School District on Wednesday announced that it would implement a new district wide schedule beginning in September, which includes several days each month during which all students will be distance learners.

In a letter to parents, the district stated that “this is a school year like none other and our students, teachers, and parents have done a wonderful job of adapting to all the changes.”

“However, one thing has not changed and that is our dedication to providing students with the very best education possible, thereby giving them the opportunity to excel in whatever they choose to do in life,” the letter states. “At the beginning of the school year, parents were given the opportunity to choose for their child to attend school traditionally each day or participate in distance learning. Since that time, many students who chose to attend school traditionally have had to quarantine for weeks at a time, thereby becoming tem-

porary distance learners. The reality of this school year is that any students could become a distance learner at any given time. Consequently, it is imperative that all students are prepared to distance learn at any time and teachers are prepared to provide services for the ever changing number of both traditional and distance leaders.”

The new schedule can be found on the district’s website.

Teachers will also begin training students on how to communicate during distance learning.

“It is very important that both parents and students understand that attendance will still be recorded each day and that students with excessive absences will still be reported to the truancy officer,” the letter states. “Grades will continue to be assigned following normal district grading policies as listed in the student handbook and all grades will continue to reflect performance on academic standards.”

The letter stresses that the district does not expect “parents to become the teacher” and trained teachers will continue to provide instruction for students.

“However, we do need

parents to be vigilant in ensuring that each child participates daily in distance learning activities and submitted required assignment,” the letter states. “Students who do not have Internet access will be provided with learning opportunities that do not require access to the Internet. Our teachers have become quite resourceful in finding ways to share information with students and families. We are certain that the same dedication, innovation, and determination that made us an “A” district last year will now ensure that our students excel during these unprecedented times.”

The district is also ordering about 4,700 devices to help distance learners, which is made possible by a grant through the state. The district expects to receive those devices in November or December, Hancock County School District Public Relations Administrator Joan Seals said.

Superintendent Alan Dedeaux said that it “just makes sense that our next step is to get everyone experiences with all students being distance learners in the event we should be faced with that again.”

“Hopefully, we will not have a need for all students to distance learn, however, it is important for all of use to be ready if we are faced with it at some time,” Dedeaux said.

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Owning a business is tough. No one ever said it was easy. In owning a business, your goal is to be recognized and successful. Why put in all of the hard work to be basically "invisible"? You see ads that run regularly. These businesses are successful. They're seen weekly whether it be to a flashy logo or an attractive female/male model. The point is that the business is getting noticed. A common phrase heard among salesman and ad representatives is this: "We don't have the money to advertise". Sorry to be blunt, but you probably won't ever have "extra" **money** if you're unknown. Advertisements in the newspaper can pay big dividends if they are targeted to the right markets and presented in a way that encourages readers to buy.

You need to **Know Your Audience**. While younger Americans aren't the newspaper readers that their parents and grandparents are, print still offers a way of reaching key demographics. According to a study prepared for the Newspaper Association of America, 65.6 percent of respondents read the newspaper at least once in the past week, and that number rises to 72.6 percent of adults aged 55 and over. Print media is accessed by both genders, with 60.8 percent of each having read a newspaper over the past seven days. If those figures match your target marketing audience, **it makes sense to use print** to reach them.

Location, Location, Location... Location can't be stressed enough. Newspapers offer the ability to target your ads to better reach a specific customer base. For example, if you're selling sports equipment, advertising on TV during the NFL playoffs is likely cost-prohibitive and may reach many viewers with no intention of buying your wares. A small advertisement in your local sports section has the potential to catch the eye of football fans in your area, getting the local sports fans attention at a fraction of the cost. Make sure your ad is in the right spot in the paper. You're likely to have better luck selling musical instruments in the entertainment section of the paper than in the business or food sections.



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Port & Harbor Commission president Robert Kane resigns

ECHO STAFF

Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission President Robert Kane on Friday tendered his resignation after 23 years as a board member.

“The resignation of the chief executive officer and subsequent search for a replacement provides an opportunity for the commission to reassess its structure and operations.”

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MSDH reports 634 new COVID-19 cases, 20 new deaths

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The Mississippi State Department of Health on Tuesday reported 634 new cases of COVID-19 — including six new cases in Hancock County — and 20 deaths, 19 of which occurred between July 8 and Aug. 24 and were identified from death certificates.

“Mississippi’s total of COVID-19 cases for the year now stands at 83,584, with 2,493 deaths,” MSDH said in its statement on Tuesday.

As of Tuesday, a total of 501 cases and 20 deaths had been reported in Hancock County, with eight of those cases and four of the deaths in long-term care facilities.

In Harrison County, a total of 3,336 cases and 57 deaths had been reported as of Tuesday, with 149 cases and 18 deaths in long-term care.

Pearl River County had 752 cases with 48 deaths, including 66 cases and 19 deaths in long-term care.

MSDH said that as of Aug. 30, 67,918 people who had tested positive for COVID-19 since the pandemic began have recovered.

Statewide, 631,280



people had been tested for the virus as of Aug. 31.

“Anyone with symptoms of fever, severe cough or severe chest pains — especially those who are older or in poor health — should make arrangements for testing with their doctor or one of the many healthcare providers now performing testing,” according to MSDH. “Healthcare providers can assess your health history and symptoms, and perform testing for COVID-19 as needed. MSDH is also helping conduct free drive-up testing sites in many parts of the state. Always call ahead to the testing provider for instructions on safely being examined before you visit for your test.”

There are COVID-19 testing sites open in Hancock County.

- Hancock Women’s Center, 1009 Benigno Lane, Bay St. Louis.

Walk-ins are welcome, both male and female, with results in 36-14 hours. For more, please call 228-467-2555 or go to www.hancockwomenscenter.com.

- Memorial Drinkwater Internal Medicine Walk-In Clinic, 300 Drinkwater Drive, Bay St. Louis, Monday – Friday 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
- Memorial Hancock Family Practice, 4433 Leisure Time Drive, Diamondhead, Monday – Friday 8 a.m.–5 p.m. Call (228) 867–5000 before visiting a clinic to allow the staff to determine the next steps and to prepare for your arrival.

The Mississippi Coronavirus Hotline is 877-978-6453 and is available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week.

For more information, visit www.msdh.ms.gov.

Diamondhead Native Returns from Seven-Month Deployment aboard Record-Breaking Aircraft Carrier

BY MASS COMMUNICATION SPECIALIST 1ST CLASS JESSE HAWTHORNE, NAVY OFFICE OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH

NORFOLK, Va.- A 2012 Seminole High School graduate and Diamondhead, Mississippi, native returned home August 9, marking the end of a seven-month deployment aboard USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69). Since departing its homeport of Norfolk, Virginia in January 2020 for the ship’s Composite Training Unit Exercise (COMPTUEX), the aircraft carrier remained underway and deployed to the Arabian Sea, Red Sea, Mediterranean Sea and Atlantic Ocean.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew Flowers is an information systems technician aboard the carrier. As an information systems technician, Flowers is responsible for a broad range of duties, including network administration, database management and computer hardware and software implementation.

“My favorite part of my job is the sense of accomplishment I receive after completing a task or assignment,” said Flowers.

As the COVID-19 pandemic spread across the globe, Ike continued to conduct operations underway, minimizing the potential spread of the virus aboard in order to maintain maritime stability and security and ensure access, deter aggression and defend U.S., allied and partner interests.

Ike, along with the USS San Jacinto (CG 56), one of the other ships within Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 10, remained continuously at sea with no port visits, setting a new record for the U.S. Navy, breaking the previous record of 160 days set in 2002 by USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71).

“I’m so proud of the young men and women I see on the deck plates each and every day,” said Capt. Kyle Higgins, Ike’s commanding officer. “Their dedication to the mission is what makes our Navy the greatest fighting force the world has ever seen.”

Sailors assigned to the Eisenhower and San Jacinto transited to the equa-

tor and participated in a unique crossing the line ceremony, becoming the Navy’s first ‘Iron Shellbacks,’ with more than 100 days at sea May 14. Ike petitioned Naval History and Heritage Command to commemorate this feat in conjunction with crossing the equator as a new title: ‘Iron Shellback.’

“My proudest accomplishment on deployment, was receiving my information warfare pin,” said Flowers. “I worked and studied very hard for it.”

Ike participated in multiple exercises with allies and partners and dual-carrier operations. The ships within CSG-10 also completed multiple strait and choke point transits, to include the Strait of Gibraltar, the Suez Canal and the Bab-el Mandeb Strait, while operating under two Combatant Commanders – U.S. European Command (EUCOM), and U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM).

“My role in the strike group is to support the Admiral and to support his staff,” said Flowers. “I am the EHF Comm Planner in the Strike Group and provide critical mission resources to all the ships in the strike group in any area of operation.”

Serving in the Navy is a continuing tradition of military service for Flowers, who has military ties with family members who have previously served. Flowers is honored to carry on the family tradition.

“Most of my family has served in either the Army or Marines,” said Flowers. “I am a first-generation sailor.”

As a member of the U.S. Navy, Flowers, as well as other sailors, know they are a part of a service tradition providing unforgettable experiences through leadership development, world affairs and humanitarian assistance. Their efforts will have a lasting effect around the globe and for generations of sailors who will follow.

“I joined the Navy as a stepping stone for my career,” added Flowers. “To quote my Alma Mater, Sam Houston State University, ‘The measure of life is it’s service’.”



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Chairman Maxwell Announces Slight Rate Decrease for Mississippi Power Customers

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During its open meeting on September 1, 2020, Chairman Dane Maxwell and fellow Public Service Commissioners unanimously voted to approve a slight rate decrease for Mississippi Power customers.

This reduction is the

third for Mississippi Power customers since Maxwell took office in January 2020.

“Any time we can reduce rates for customers, I consider it an accomplishment,” Chairman Maxwell said.

“We’ve worked hard over the past eight months to put downward pressure on all of the

utility rates and we will continue to do so.”

This rate decrease will result in approximately 2 cents per 1000 kWh for residential customers serviced by Mississippi Power.

Customers can expect to see the decrease reflected in the October billing cycle.



Pearl River offers Hancock County application day

SEA COAST ECHO

Pearl River Community College is offering prospective students in Hancock County help with the transition to college through an Application Day and Recruiter Meet and Greet.

The event will be held at the PRCC Hancock Center in Waveland on Thursday, Sept. 3 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

“We are looking forward to spending the day at the Hancock County Center to assist the students in our district as they navigate through the admission process,” Director of Recruitment Richard Gleber said.

“We will be offering our future Wildcats a one-stop-shop for our students in Hancock County. We will be available to answer all of their questions and assist them in completing a PRCC application.

“Our main goal is to offer personal support to the students, so their transition after gradua-

tion will be less stressful and seamless.”

Future Wildcats will have the opportunity to receive help filling out their Spring or Fall 2021 PRCC application, meet their Pearl River recruiters and have their questions concerning the admissions process, scholarships and academic programs answered during the event.

“Being from the Gulf Coast, I am thankful to be able to connect with students within the community,” PRCC Recruiter RonShea Moore said.

“We are excited to host this event for our prospective Wildcats! As a Recruiter, the best part of my job is the opportunity to meet and greet future students and help them succeed in their future endeavors.”

Pearl River will be practicing COVID-19 safety measures and masks are required by all event participants.

Questions can be directed to the PRCC Office of Recruitment at

601-403-1197 or recruitment@prcc.edu. The PRCC Hancock Center is located at 454 Hwy 90, Suite D – Waveland.

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Man accused of armed robbery at Bay casino captured in Texas

ECHO STAFF

A fugitive accused of committing armed robbery outside Hollywood Casino in Bay St. Louis earlier this month was captured Friday morning in Texas.

The U.S. Marshals Gulf Coast Regional Fugitive Task Force on Friday announced that Steven “Low” Lopez had been arrested at a private home in Willis, Tex.

Officers said Lopez tried to escape out a rear window of the home, but they pursued him, hit him with a taser and took him into custody at about 7:30 a.m. Friday.

Bay St. Louis Police Chief Gary Ponthieux Jr. said earlier this month that Lopez had allegedly robbed an acquaintance outside the casino on Aug. 15. Police then put out a warrant for his arrest for armed robbery and being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Sr. Inspector Jeremy Stilwell with the U.S. Marshals told reporters Friday that the arrested would not have happened so quickly without the assistance of the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

Lopez was incarcerated at the Montgomery County, Tex., jail while awaiting extradition back to Hancock County.

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CHRONICLING RESILIENCY: HANCOCK COUNTY COMMEMORATES 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF HURRICANE KATRINA; DEDICATES GROUND ZERO MUSEUM TO THE LATE LILI STAHLER-MURPHY

STORY AND PHOTOS BY
CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Some might describe 2005's Hurricane Katrina as fierce. But Mississippians turned out to be fiercer and none more so than LiLi Stahler-Murphy.

Gov. Tate Reeves, along with local officials, gathered at the Waveland Ground Zero Hurricane Museum to mark the occasion and officially dedicate the museum to its co-founder, LiLi, who passed away on July 12 after a battle with ovarian cancer.

Saturday marked the 15th anniversary of the day that Hurricane Katrina roared ashore, taking with her the lives of many residents, homes, businesses, etc.

Waveland Mayor Mike Smith said that, just prior to her passing, LiLi got to see the new museum sign that now bears her name. The museum is now the Waveland's LiLi Stahler-Murphy Ground Zero Hurricane Museum.

"It is a pleasure, on behalf of myself and the Board of Aldermen, to make that dedication to Mrs. LiLi," Smith said. "She was one of those people that made an impression on you and the impression was that if you didn't go her direction, get out of the way."

Smith said that the reason the Ground Zero museum exists today is through the efforts of LiLi and Basil Kennedy.

"It was an honor for me to know her, to love her as much as I did," Smith said.

Reeves said it was a "privilege" to be in Waveland on Saturday.

"As we think about today, we think about the 15th anniversary, we must remember those that we lost in Hurricane Katrina," Reeves said. "A lot of good Mississippians lost their lives. We also must look towards the future. We cannot change the past but we can affect the future. The thing that came out of Hurricane Katrina and the absolute devastation that occurred here in Hancock County and across our Coast is we proved to the world the resiliency of our people. We showed the world that you might can knock us down, you might can punch us in our face, but we'll get right back up,



LiLi Stahler-Murphy

going back to work helping ourselves and helping our neighbors."

Reeves said that Saturday's occasion provided an opportunity to honor LiLi.

"We all know that there were a lot of people who contributed to this museum," he said. "There's a lot of people in this room, there's a lot of people in this community that contributed to Waveland coming back after Katrina. But there is no one more responsible than Mrs. LiLi."

Reeves said that he knew LiLi was a "tireless public servant" who cared about her community and worked "tirelessly to make sure, not only as an elected official, not only as an alderman of Waveland, but just as someone who loved her community. Over the years and in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, and literally up until the day she passed away."

"No one could ask more of an elected official than to truly care about her constituents and truly care about her community," Reeves said. "She embodied that. This museum, in my mind, is one of a kind. It's one of a kind because Mrs. LiLi had a vision and she had a plan. She wanted to tell a story that we all want told. And that is the story of Hancock County and the story about Mississippi. When we think about the resiliency of Mississippians, I can't help but think about this museum and the fact that it embodies that resiliency of Mississippians in the aftermath of Katrina."

Reeves said the success of the museum can be attributed to LiLi's hard work and dedication.

LiLi's husband Donald Murphy said that the



Gov. Tate Reeves

family was "very honored."

"She worked very hard and deserved recognition," he said. "Now, we have to carry on and make sure everything she wanted goes on."

Donald said when LiLi learned of the honor prior to her passing, she felt honored and humbled.

"At the same time, she was proud to be recognized for her work," Donald said. "I'm glad that she knew about it before she passed."

Donald said that LiLi's road to opening the museum was often frustrating, time consuming, but it turned out to be some of her "proudest moments."

"The fact that it (the museum) stayed open, the attendance and the upcoming Smithsonian exhibit," Donald said. "The museum board is now tasked with making it a total success."

Later this year, through a partnership with the Smithsonian Institution's Museum on Main Street division, the Mississippi Humanities Council is bringing "Crossroads: Change in Rural America," a portable multi-kiosk exhibit to six counties in Mississippi, a release from Mississippi Humanities states. Each site will also develop a local complementary exhibit and public



Waveland Mayor Mike Smith

programs in conjunction with the event.

The museum's current board members are: Board Chairman Bernie Cullen; Secretary Suzanne Cotter; Treasurer Basil Kennedy; Dr. Bill Bradford; Mark Duffy; Bobbie Tate; Donna Cowart Martin; Rick Hill; Janita Cole; and Randy Ponder. The board's ex officio members are Museum Director Linda Aiavolasiti and Assistant Director Kathy Brooks.

The museum is housed in a historic building built in 1927, which once housed Waveland Elementary School. The building is city-owned and was the only building left standing on Coleman Avenue after Hurricane Katrina. It is on the National Historic Registry.

A blue line on the wall represents how high the water rose in the building, which was 11 to 11 1/2 feet. The numbers represent the timeline.

There are a number of quilts on display made by Solveig Wells, who used fabric she found in various places after Katrina.

There is an oral history room which features the film, "When Wind and Water Speak."

There are several display cases which feature newspaper articles, MREs, cans of water, and other memorabilia from after Hurricane Katrina.

The mosaic room fea-



From left, LiLi's daughter Martha Curtis, LiLi's husband Donald and LiLi's daughter Katherine Young.



From left, Brittney Ruiz, Donald Murphy, Tonda Murphy, David Ruiz, and Braden Ruiz.



tures artwork from local children, which depicts their feelings regarding Hurricane Katrina.

The auditorium is filled with pictures taken the day before Hurricane Katrina.

The H.C. Porter Room features black and white pictures along with narrative summaries.

On the lawn outside the museum is a stone monolith. The names of those whose lives were lost during Hurricane Katrina are etched in its stone.

Donald said that one of the things LiLi loved most about Waveland

was the friendliness of its people.

"We knew everybody when we went to the stores," he said. "We would go walking in the morning and a 30-minute walk would turn into an hour walk because we would talk to people we knew."

In a March interview with the Sea Coast Echo, LiLi spoke about her love for Waveland.

"I love it here," she said. "I made a vow to see the beach every day. It's so pretty, like Heaven on Earth."

15 years after Katrina, Hancock County is back better than ever

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

Saturday, Aug. 29, 2020, marked the 15th anniversary of the day Hurricane Katrina came howling into our lives, devastating Hancock County along with much of the rest of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. While some of the scars from Katrina still remain, most have faded away and been replaced by something bigger and better.

“It’s amazing to see the development that’s been accomplished since Katrina,” Hancock County Administrator Eddie Favre said this week. “There’s been a tremendous amount of development, a tremendous amount of progress. Are we finished? I don’t think so — there are still areas you can drive around and see where they haven’t come quite back yet,” due either to high insurance prices, flood plain requirements or construction costs, “but in spite of that, we’ve definitely come a long way.”

At the time Katrina hit, Favre was still serving as the five-term mayor of Bay St. Louis and was on the frontlines of storm recovery for — literally — years.

Favre gained national fame for declaring he would only wear short pants until the Bay had recovered, even when he was meeting with then-President George W. Bush. Finally, five years ago, he decided we could all wear long pants again.

“A lot has been accomplished,” Favre said. “It’s unbelievable how far we’ve come and that’s because of the local folks, the great folks in our community.”

Tim Kellar, who still serves as Hancock County Chancery Clerk, just as he did in 2005, said one of the most inspiring of those folks was Leo Seal Jr., who died in 2008 at the age of 84.

After the storm leveled most of the Coast, Kellar said, “Leo came in and said ‘We can do this. We have an opportunity here to make it better.’ He was kind of the inspiration for a lot of it. There were attempts made to come in and patch it back up. He said ‘No, we don’t want too do that. We want to build it up. We want to take it to the next level.’

“And I think we’ve done that.”

With Seal’s inspiration — and in many instances, financing through Hancock Bank — along with then-Gov. Haley Barbour’s leadership and dedication to helping the Coast rebuild, Hancock County is in many ways better than ever, Kellar said.

“We were struggling in the pre-Katrina days at just making things handicap-accessible,” Kellar said. “There was a project in 2002 just to make the courthouse accessible to someone in a wheelchair. (After Katrina) we didn’t only put something back up, we built it better. We built it for the future.”

One aspect of building for the future, Kellar said, was rebuilding with the knowledge that another hurricane, eventually, will strike.

“On average, every 20 years, we have a hurricane that hits this area, and there will be others,” he said. “People in Hancock County will be dealing with hurricanes and recovery. We’re under threat every year of being put back into the same situation we were in in 2005, so don’t ever let your guard down.”

Fortunately, he said, most of the structures and infrastructure built back after Katrina should be much more durable than what was there before.

Favre said watching the news last week as Hurricane Laura tore through Louisiana and Texas brought back some bad old memories.

“Our hearts go out to them,” he said. “We know exactly what they’re going through, God bless ‘em. What they need to know is what we learned, and that’s that together we can, tighter we will, and that same thing applies now.

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Martin Elzy and crew helped lift his community after Katrina

BY MAURICE SINGLETON
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Some people tease Martin Elzy, by calling him St. Martin because of his volunteer work in his community after Hurricane Katrina. Martin laughs at the suggestion, but his volunteer work after Katrina is worthy of, at least, awareness.

Elzy answered a knock on his door around noon on Monday, August 29, 2005, after the high winds of Hurricane Katrina had appeared to have passed through Bay St. Louis. At the door were Michael Galloway and Earth Williams and their infant son.

“The water is coming,” Michael said to him.

Galloway and Williams had been living in an apartment complex on Citizen Street on the south side of the railroad tracks in Bay St. Louis. As the water began to rise, he gathered his family and they trudged through the rising waters, which had already risen to more than a foot high outside their apartment.

They got to the railroad tracks and walked the two to three hundred yards of railroad boulders to Washington Street, making it to Elzy’s house. They were the first of about fifteen guests who would join Elzy and his wife Barbara at their residence in the weeks after Hurricane Katrina.

Initially, Elzy had evacuated along with his wife and her sisters and their families, first heading north towards Hat-



Martin Elzy

tiesburg, then changing destinations because of the snail’s pace of traffic, heading east toward Alabama. But the traffic wasn’t moving any faster going east, so Elzy decided to bail in Gulfport and called his friend Craig Saucier to pick him up in Gulfport.

“Craig said, ‘Man, you’re crazy,’” said Elzy. “But it’s a good thing I did, because when things started to happen, I was in the right place to help people.”

That decision proved to be beneficial to the Galloways, the neighbors across the street from Elzy whose house was damaged and without power, and Albert Ishem, who lived one street over and whose house was severely damaged.

“I kept knocking on Mr. Toot’s (Ishem) door, and at first I couldn’t get an answer,” said Elzy. “The roof of his house had been completely blown off and was sitting on St. Francis Street. But I kept knocking and

calling his name, and I finally heard some movement, and I found him hiding under a leaning wall and furniture.

“I eventually was able to convince him to leave with me and go to my house,” said Elzy.

Elzy had generators going, so he was able to keep the house cool and comfortable for his house guests. His refrigerator was full, so he felt confident that he could keep his guests fed for at least a week.

In addition to sleeping arrangements in the home’s three bedrooms, Elzy set up two tents in his backyard. Meals at the house were joyous gatherings according to Elzy as his guests celebrated their shelter and meals and the company of each other.

“Rev. (Jeffrey) Reed helped out with food and clothing,” said Elzy. “He was in contact with Bishop T.D. Jakes who was sending truck loads of food and clothing.”

Elzy was employed as a dealer at a local casin-

no, and he also ran a cement-finishing business. With the casinos closed and no new construction happening, Elzy had time on his hand to run his house which had turned into a makeshift shelter, as well as some expanding volunteer work.

“Food, clothing and supplies were coming in by the truckloads from Bishop Jakes,” said Elzy. “Rev. Reed was able to secure us a hangar at Stennis Airport, so we were able to help a lot more people.

“I got my cement crew together, and we started going out all around the county delivering food and clothing to people,” Elzy explained. “The looks on the people’s faces said it all. They were so thankful. At first some of my crew were asking how much they were go-

ing to get paid. But after a day of helping people, they started to realize the value of helping people.”

“You don’t owe me a nickel,” said one of his cement finishers with tears welling in his eyes.

“This was all about helping people,” said Elzy. “We helped so many people. We brought food and clothing and supplies to people all around the county: Bay St. Louis, Waveland, Lakeshore, Pearlington, Ansley, Shoreline Park, Heron Bay anywhere we could find people, anywhere we were told to go. The people were so grateful.”

“That’s the Martin that I’ve always known,” said Sandra Price, events planner for Retrofit, a community organization that provides help and assistance to a variety of

needs in the community. “Wherever I am, whatever we do in the community, Martin is there also. He always makes sure that we have the money to do the things we do.”

Price said that she uses a line from an episode of the sitcom Martin television series to describe Elzy’s support of events that Retrofit does to impact the lives of children in the community: “Marty Mar loves the kids.”

“That’s our line to him,” said Price. “We couldn’t do a lot of the things that we do without Martin.”

“Martin brought food and supplies to so many people,” said Mark Johnson who has worked with Elzy finishing concrete for more than thirty years. “He helped a lot of people after Katrina. Martin’s a good dude.”

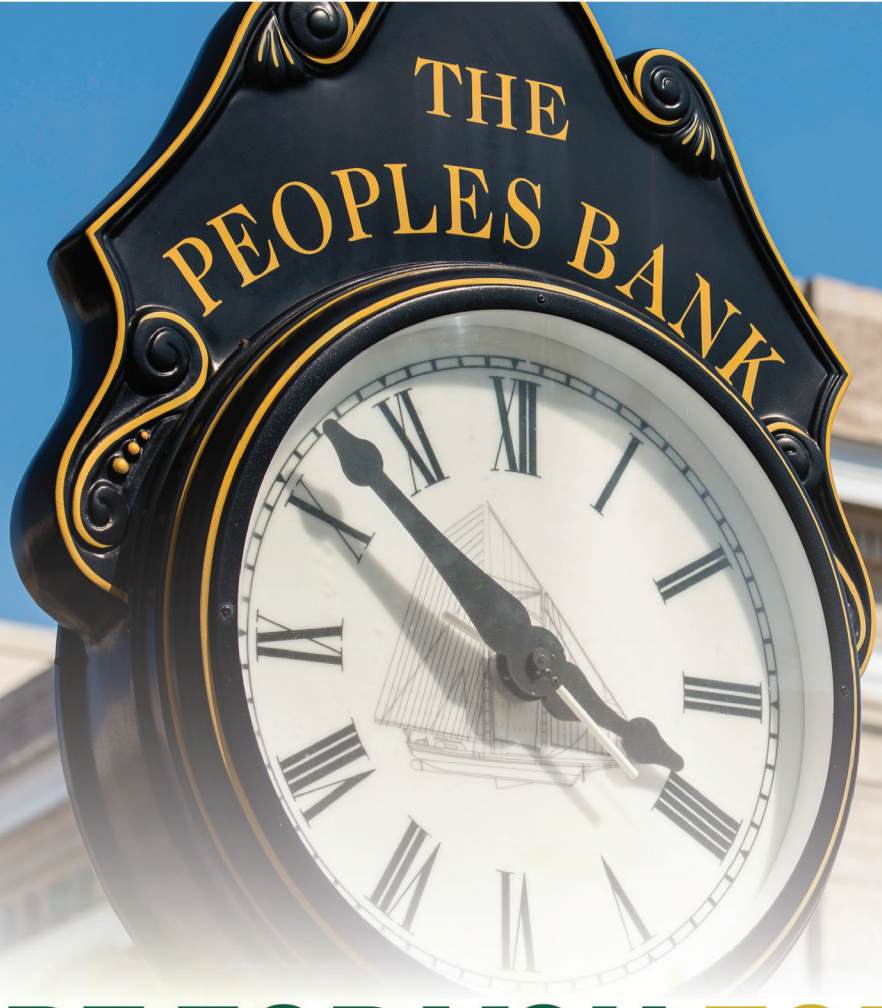


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Hurricane Katrina as spiritual journey

BY PATRICIA LACERVA
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As we waited expectantly for the Saturday afternoon session to start, the Director of the Slidell Bridge Tournament announced that all remaining events were being cancelled because a hurricane was on its way. No more bridge games. What a disappointment! Early the next day, I left from my home in Waveland with only my rat terrier (Oliver), my car, the clothes on my back, and an overnight bag. Foolishly unprepared, I thought I'd be returning home the next evening. Despite living close to the water, I had never evacuated for a hurricane before. But my nephew Mike from Hattiesburg had called and said: "Are you leaving, or do I have to take off from work where I'm on emergency call and come get you?" I knew then that I'd better head to Hattiesburg as quickly as possible..

When the storm was over, there was nothing left of my home—not even a stove, a refrigerator, a commode, or even the concrete table and benches in my yard. Yet, a concrete statue of St. Francis of Assisi, though it had fallen over, remained intact. My nephew Mike (also my godson) found a velvet pouch caught on the branches of a bush: It was the rosary my godmother, Aunt Goldie,

had given me fifty years before as a high school graduation present. And oh, how the amethyst rosary sparkled in the sunlight! If it had not been for Mike with his Mississippi Power truck and his maps of the area, I could never have found my property amidst the flat desolate landscape. I remained inside the Mississippi Power Building, stunned and almost speechless, while my nephew and his Hattiesburg crew worked alongside other crews trying to restore power to a devastated area that had lost practically all of its power poles. During the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, someone gave me a bible, and I began re-reading the Book of Job. At first, it seemed very simple: "The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord"(1:21).

In retrospect, I can see how easy it would have been to dump all of my jewelry into a pillowcase and take it with me, especially the ring from my Aunt Goldie with its huge clear topaz and the pearls from my mother. But Katrina has all of it now. I sometimes like to imagine delighted swimmers or beach walkers as they discover those little pink boxes containing a lifetime of 14kt. and 18kt gold rings with stones of sapphire, ruby, peridot, etc. And I am contented. If Katrina taught me anything, it is how much I can live

without. Katrina also restored my faith in humanity. They came from everywhere, religious affiliated and not, bringing diapers, water, hand sanitizer, food, clothing, building skills, etc. Most of all, they brought love and a strong desire to help their fellow human beings. I am certain there are others besides me who found dealing with insurance companies and government agencies even more painful than Katrina. It was if our entire lives were suddenly put on hold: "Your call is important to us. Stay on the line, and your call will be answered in the order in which it was received." Then after a half hour or longer, someone came on the line, the call was dropped, and the process started all over again. Although Katrina made me sad, it was the indifferent, disembodied voices of bureaucracy that eventually succeeded in making me weep for my losses. To someone my age, with many more years behind than ahead, being put on hold for several hours a day was like standing by helplessly watching part of a lifespan slip away.

And yet, I am grateful that God permitted me to have this experience. Had it not been for Katrina, I might never have known what a very fine person my nephew is. And my little dog Oliver was also a blessing who

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Missing the Point

I was 10 years old when Lorena Bobbitt severed her husband John Wayne Bobbitt’s penis in June of 1993.

I knew little of the case back then. I was 10, I was more concerned with My Little Pony; Rainbow Bright; reading Nancy Drew books; and Cabbage Patch Dolls.

But, and I’m sure a lot of people fall into this category, when you hear the name Lorena Bobbitt, your mind instantly remembers the act and the fact that she threw his penis out of a car window.

But I never knew why she did this and sadly, many people at the time overlooked it or just plain made fun of the ordeal.

There is a documentary on Amazon Prime called Lorena. It features interviews with Lorena and John as well as footage from the trial.

And boy, it was way more than just a “Cut Heard Around the World.”

Lorena said that for years, John had physically and mentally abused her and also raped her. He even made her get an abortion. Those actions are what drove her to commit the act, she told the court during her trial.

And she came armed with documents to prove the abuse, which included pictures, police reports, and at least two instances where John admitted his guilt when it came to assaulting her. I watched and listened to her testimony as she struggled to speak about the events. There were several eyewitness accounts to the abuse as well.

She was even filling out the paperwork to get a protective order and finally planning to work up the courage to leave.

Now, I don’t condone her actions. But, I also have not been in an abusive relationship like that. So, I’m in no position to say what I would have or wouldn’t have done.

And just maybe, if he had been tried for his crimes earlier, Lorena wouldn’t have done what she did. She tried using the system for protection.

However, the media, the public, and Hollywood all concentrated on the act and not her reasons.

It became fodder for comedians. John appeared on several talk shows and later on, even dabbled in the porn industry.

I get it. For men, this part of the body seems to be very important and just the idea of that happening is probably terrifying.

But, for the most part, the media, public, and Hollywood missed the point which was the opportunity to talk about domestic violence.

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Staff Column
By Cassandra Favre

Wicker Encourages Schools to Reopen With Caution

Following Health Protocols Will Help Prevent Surge in Cases

With summer coming to a close, school buses are making the rounds again as children head back to school. But for thousands of Mississippi parents, teachers, and administrators, the new semester is adding new challenges to an already-stressful year. School districts have had to make tough decisions about when and how to reopen in light of the pandemic. Many are resuming lessons in person while following health guidelines. Others are taking a gradual approach starting with online learning or part-time classroom instruction.

There is no doubt that reopening our schools comes with risk, but keeping them closed would also bring heavy costs. School closures have already forced



From the Senate
By Sen. Roger Wicker

many working parents to stay home to care for their children, resulting in disruption to their jobs and the wider economy. Learning gaps and a lack of social interaction have taken a toll on children. And students who depend on school meals have had a harder time getting daily nutrition. School boards are carefully weighing these factors as they consider

the best course of action for their communities.

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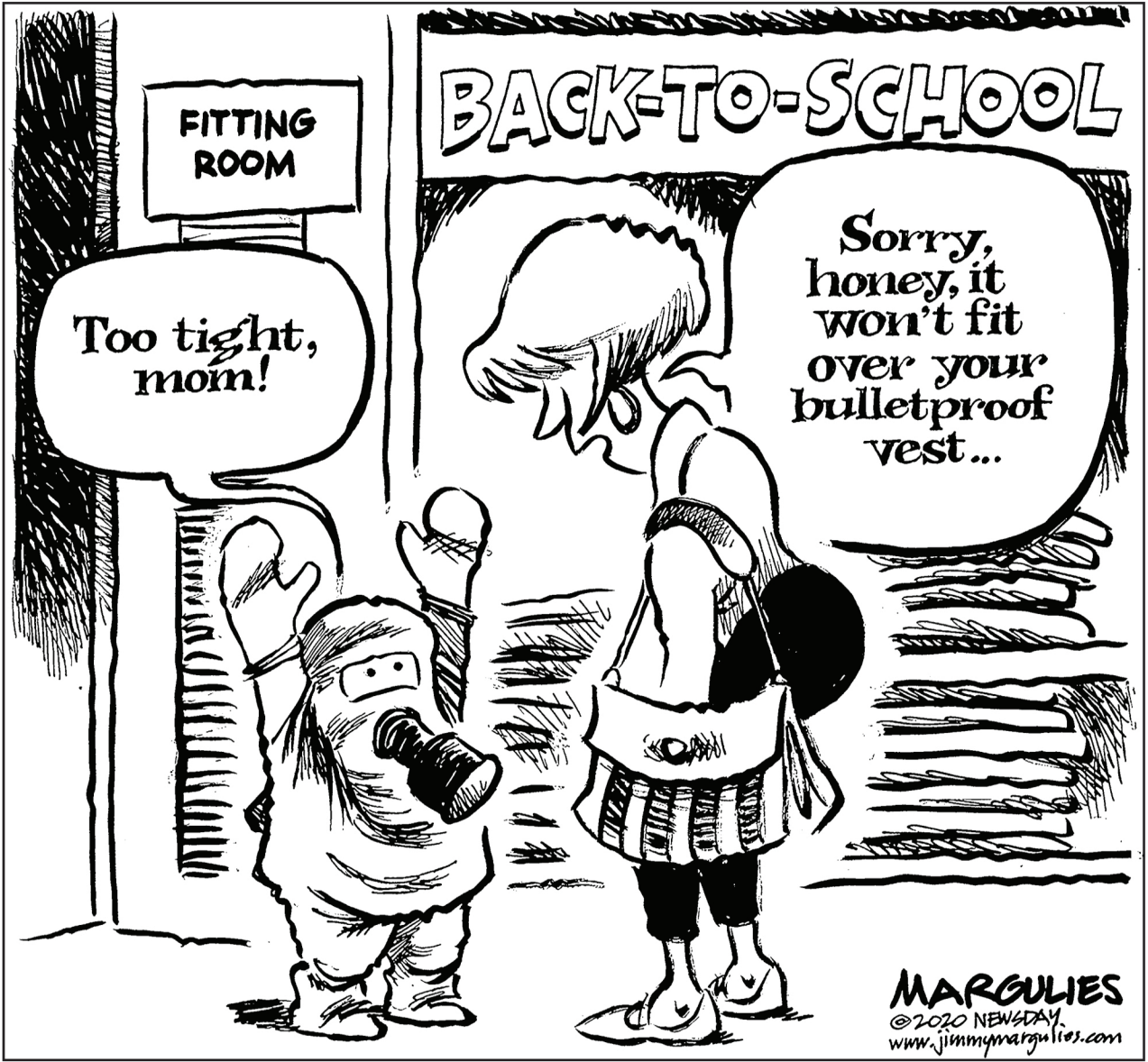
Students and teachers need to take careful precautions so that the return to school does not lead to a new surge in cases. This means wearing masks at all times, practicing social distancing, and washing hands frequently with soap. A number of schools have already taken decisive action to place students and teachers in quarantine if they have been exposed to the virus. These decisions are helping to protect the wider community and should be commended. As new cases emerge, transparency with parents will be essential. The Corinth School District has set a great example by posting regular updates online about COVID-19

cases linked to school.

Keeping teachers healthy is a top priority, and Mississippi is taking steps to make sure our educators have access to testing. Teachers can receive free coronavirus tests at UMMC’s drive-thru center in Jackson and at community sites across the state, and county health departments are offering free tests as well. Nationally we are approaching 1 million tests per day, and I support new federal funding to help states continue to improve testing and contact tracing.

As classes resume across the country, Senate Republicans are pushing for funding to help schools purchase personal protective equipment and technology.

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that quite suddenly untied my heartstrings.

After a thoughtful process, I allowed myself to realize that the time is now, the time is

now for a new chapter in my life, the time is now to perhaps finish writing Lulu’s Cookbook, the time is now for a new guardian of 126 Main St.

I hope you savor the flavor of Lulu’s in your memory and keep warm thoughts of me, Cyn-di “Lulu,” Regina, and Lizetta.

If you were one of the many generous friends who have a special place in my heart and a plate with your name on it. Now, you can take your plate home and make a new memory for it...to all of you, I thank you kindly.

Our last day for lunch will be Sat., Sept. 12, so we’d love to see you before then for lunch and you may want to buy the table and chairs, china, etc.

It has truly been my pleasure.

Nancy Moynan

Arrest Record

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ARRESTS LOGGED AT THE HANCOCK COUNTY JUSTICE FACILITY FROM THE PAST WEEK. APPEARANCE ON THE JAIL LOG IS NOT INDICATIVE OF GUILT, MERELY A RECORD THAT AN ARREST HAS BEEN MADE.

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Johnathon L. McGill, 39, contempt of court failure to appear
Jessica K. Caccioppo, 30, petit larceny
Yancey S. Mayfield, 21, contempt of court failure to appear
Cardez D. Ellingson, 21, simple assault
Brady C. Richard, 63, simple assault
Kalob B. Richardson, 19, burglary
Kevin J. Ackman, 36, contempt of court failure to appear
Blake A. Nicholson, 18, burglary
Cassie L. McKenzie, 38, felony possession of controlled substance
Paul L. Lowery, 22, possession of stolen firearm
John W. Soper, 38, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense; probation violation

Andal R. Sutton, 31, DUI 4th
Billy R. Deaton, 32, simple domestic violence simple assault
Samuel D. Seals, 27, contempt failure to comply; trespassing
James O. Ahlman III, 58, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Pamela S. White, 29, contempt of court failure to appear
Demi M. Lafleur, 25, contempt of court failure to appear
Stephen J. Walker, Jr., 54, shoplifting
Nicole E. Labauve, 33, felony possession of controlled substance; contempt of failure to appear; false identifying information
John C. Truitt, 54, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Tabitha R. Jones, 37, contempt of court failure to appear x 3
Kenneth A. Hines, 59, simple domestic violence simple assault (warrant)
Brian D. Easley, 30, reckless driving; aggravated assault
Patrick D. Daniels, Jr., 24, reckless driving; contempt of court failure to appear
Belinda Draughon, 28, contempt of court failure to appear
Kimberly M. Gill, 45, possession of parapher-

naliam
Brian P. Cruz, 47, felony possession of controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Harold E. Frank, 51, felony possession of controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear; possession of paraphernalia
Christopher S. Dahl, 32, contempt of court failure to appear; driving while license or driving privilege cancelled; failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance card
Jaquille J. Coleman, 26, hold for other agency
Sarah C. Dyer, 21, abusive calls to 911
Kendall T. Sanders, 45, DUI 1st offense
Paige A. Batista, 33, DUI other substance
Ashton T. Robert, 25, contempt of court failure to appear
Trent P. Book, 33, drunkenness/profanity in public place; disorderly conduct; resisting/obstructing arrest
Donald J. Schwartz, Sr., 47, contempt of court failure to appear; felony possession of controlled substance; eluding law officer
Tony T. Clark, 32, disorderly conduct; DUI 1st offense; driving while license or driving privilege cancelled; drunkenness/profanity in public

place; simple assault; failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance
Frankie C. Beech, 28, possession of paraphernalia
Gena C. James, 31, DUI 2nd conviction; contempt of court failure to appear
Ashley P. Pujol, 33, possession of paraphernalia
Gaje J. Billliot, 30, trespass
Christopher J. Chandler, 32, contempt of court failure to appear x 3; contempt of court failure to pay; violating order of court, contempt, punishment
Daniel C. Talley, 41, contempt failure to pay; contempt of court failure to appear
Jason A. Burge, 39, trespassing
Michelle D. Comeaux, 55, contempt of court failure to appear
Connie E. Cuevas, 52, felonious abuse and or battery of a child x 3
Nicholas P. Austin, 29, trespassing
William N. Hampton, 57, contempt of court failure to appear
Landon R. Burgin, 74, hold for other agency
Angela C. Kain, 46, contempt of court failure to appear
Christopher M. Villar, 43, DUI 3rd/subsequent conviction

Jacob A. Seals, 29, trespassing; resisting/obstructing arrest
Justin L. Delle, 41, contempt of court failure to appear (bench warrant); shoplifting x 2; contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Bryson J. Compton, 26, contempt of court failure to appear x 3
Roland A. Deschamp, 35, contempt of court failure to appear
Gary W. Netto, 65, DUI 1st offense
Ometric D. Magee, 26, felony possession of controlled substance
Rhonda R. Favre, 45, contempt of court failure to appear
Kevin W. Day, 43, simple domestic violence simple assault; contempt of court failure to appear
Trequenz K. Charles, 27, DUI first offense; contempt of court failure to appear
Rolland R. Glass, 51, DUI first offense
Jonathan D. Hunt, 32, aggravated domestic violence
James A. Schwartz, 51, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Shante Daniel, 25, receiving stolen property
Sidney I. Sanchez-Zuniga, 33, DUI first offense; no tag; failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance card; no drivers license or expired drivers license

Lisa M. Gros, 48, DUI other substance; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle
Warren T. Pfetzer, 44, contempt of court failure to appear x 3; controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense, or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense
Janice L. Ricks, 58, DUI
McCoy J. Lizana, 18, possession of alcohol by minor; disorderly conduct
Mason B. Sharp, 32, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Gerald E. Taylor, 46, trespassing
Michael J. Edwards, 31, contempt of court failure to appear
Elvis G. Sellers, 33, contempt of court violation of protective order or court approved consent agreement
Dakota S. Bernos, 21, no tag; no drivers license; no insurance
Dylan A. Mares, 31, indecent exposure; drunkenness/profanity in public place
Jacqueline C. Kelly, 38, reckless driving; no drivers license; no insurance; seat belt violation; DUI first offense
Prisilla Cole, 40, probation violation

Bay man Sentenced to 15 Years in Prison for Methamphetamine Trafficking

ECHO STAFF

A Bay St. Louis man was sentenced on Thursday to serve 15 years in prison for methamphetamine trafficking. “Elbert James Carter, 38, of Bay St. Louis, was sentenced today by Senior U.S. District Judge Louis Guirola, Jr. to 180 months in prison, followed

by five years of supervised release, for possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine,” U.S. Attorney Mike Hurst and Special Agent in Charge Brad Byerley with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) announced in a press release Thursday. “Judge Guirola also ordered Carter to pay a \$3,500 fine.”

Beginning in late 2017, DEA agents received information that Carter was involved in distributing methamphetamine in the McClain, Mississippi area. On June 21, 2018, someone purchased 54.9 grams of methamphetamine from Carter for \$1,000, Hurst said in the release. “The DEA Crime lab deter-

mined that the methamphetamine was 100 percent pure,” Hurst said. “On July 11, 2018, an individual purchased methamphetamine from Carter for \$1,000. The DEA crime lab determined the methamphetamine weighed 52.5 grams and was 98 percent pure.” Carter was charged in a federal criminal indictment and

pled guilty to possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine before Guirola on Jan. 28. Carter has two prior felony drug convictions and was sentenced as a career offender, Hurst said. The case was investigated by the DEA and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Shundral H. Cole.

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Many women’s groups protested in front of the courthouse to advocate for Lorena and all victims of domestic abuse. The jury found Lorena not guilty by reason of temporary insanity. As a result, she spent 45 days in a mental health institution. She came out and said that it helped her deal with her problems. After the trial, she completed college, remarried, had a child, and now works with victims of domestic violence. On the other hand, John was acquitted of marital assault during his own trial. The timeline allowed in that trial was of the few days leading up to the incident, not the years of their marriage. Since the trials, John tried to catapult off his newfound fame with adult films like ‘John

Wayne Bobbitt: Uncut.” Since then, he also apparently continued his violence towards women. He has gone on to have alleged domestic violence incidents with two other women, been arrested five times and twice convicted for domestic violence. To be honest, I wish law enforcement had been unable to find his severed part on the side of the road so that it could be reattached. According to Lorena, he used it as a weapon, and still did long after the trials. He still denies things, but a lot of people say and have seen differently, even an 11-year-old child witnessed his later abuse towards women. John still sends Lorena letters, social media messages and whatnot, which is kind of odd, I think. At its heart, this case was about domestic violence and what it can drive victims, female or male (because yes, males are victims of domestic violence as well), to do.

People say “why don’t you just leave?” It’s not that easy. I have known victims of abuse. And we tried as hard as we could to get them to leave, but the control the abuser has over their victims is pretty strong. They eventually got out of the frightening situations, but some don’t and some domestic violence victims end up dead. For me, it also showed me how easily people are manipulated by media and pop culture, which is seen all over my Facebook feed these days. A meme with big words fools some people and they share it as facts with no research. People think they’re too smart for research it seems. But, were you like me? When you hear the Bobbitt name, what is the first thing you think of? And you know what, maybe we deserve to be manipulated. People have an obsession with the macabre; the sensationalized; the outland-

ish unproven theories; etc. The national media, comedians, and Hollywood are just giving the people what they want, what they click on, what they buy; etc. If they weren’t making money off of it, it wouldn’t be at the forefront. Until the people start demanding real news and facts, not just “news” outlets that back up your own opinions, then it will continue to fade into the past. And in all seriousness, if you are being abused yourself or know someone who is being abused, there are resources available to help. The Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence is located on the Gulf Coast. The phone number is 228-436-3809 and the website is www.gccfn.org. The National Domestic Violence Hotline is 1-800-799-7233. Cassandra is a staff writer at the Sea Coast Echo and can be reached at cassandra@seacoastecho.com.

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ogy upgrades. This would add to the nearly \$170 million Mississippi received earlier in the year for these items. Republicans are also proposing childcare grants to help keep daycare facilities open, enabling more parents to return to work. Expanding Broadband Will

Aid Recovery The internet has been a critical lifeline for classrooms, businesses, and churches during this difficult year. But not every community has benefitted equally from the internet. Many rural and minority communities continue to lag behind in broadband access, making their recovery more difficult. Recently I introduced legislation to speed up the deployment of broadband in areas with no broadband service. I have also introduced legislation with Senator

Tim Scott to support the expansion of broadband in areas surrounding historically black colleges. These schools are anchors of economic opportunity and broadband access in areas that continue to be underserved. I am pushing Congress to pass both of these bills in the coming weeks to help our nation recover from the pandemic. Every classroom, business, and health care facility deserves full access to internet services as we work to overcome this national challenge.

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Obituaries

RUTH RACHEL “LOVIE” DAVIS
CLARENCE BERNARD ROOT

RUTH RACHEL “LOVIE” DAVIS

Ruth Rachel “Lovie” Davis was the graceful and poised matriarch of our family, dedicated and committed wife, loving mother and grandmother, diligent healthcare professional, passionate activist, and talented musician. Her illuminated spirit touched all those around her, and this same shimmer and brilliance faded on Wednesday, August 26, 2020. Today, we do not mourn, but celebrate over nine decades of a life befitting of joyful commemoration. Although her physical presence is no longer with us, her illustrious spirit and beautiful legacy will continue to shine through her adoring family.

Ruth was the ninth of eleven children to the late Christopher Robinson and Ada Brewer–Robinson. A life-long resident of Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, Ruth took pride in her dynamic family and immaculate home. A determined go-getter and visionary, she diligently worked as a nurse at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport for close to twenty years, while proudly raising three young sons. She tirelessly dedicated her life to God. She attended mass at Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church where she was an esteemed member of



United Methodist Women, and proudly served as a communion steward and nurturing matriarch. Her unwavering commitment to family, career and faith secured her position as an undeniable role model and hero of our community.

To honor a loved one, we must reflect on those who have transitioned before us. Ruth is preceded in death by her committed husband of 50 years, William O. Davis, United States Army Veteran; three brothers, Author Robinson, Christopher Robinson, Jr., and David Williams; eight sisters, Helen Tucker, Ida Ruth Lewis, Beatrice Mack, Ida Hitchen, Rosalee Eickelberger, Annie Davis, Lillian Alexander, and Alice Robinson; nephew, Nathan “Chubby” Birth; and grandchild, Julian Jermaine “J.J.” Davis.

Her remarkable life and legacy will continue through the everlasting bond with the family she has guided and deeply impacted. Ruth is survived by her three sons, Lionel Davis, Therrell Davis, United States

Marine Veteran, and William T. Davis, United States Army Veteran; two daughters-in-law, Hae Suk Davis and Joretta Davis; seven grandchildren, Tamara Davis, Jenneke Hartfield, Jewell Davis, Rennell Williams, William T. Davis, Jr, Therrell “Teddy” Davis, Jr. and Tearra Davis; two great-grandchildren, Jazzalyn Davis and Juelz Davis; family member and caretaker, Victorine Williams; longtime family friends, Connie Payne–Lampley, Thelma “Doot-Doot” Williams, Arlene Garcia and Cynthia Acker; and a community who will cherish her memory.

For close to ten astonishing decades, Ruth Rachel “Lovie” Davis has profoundly impacted the lives and souls of everyone she has come into contact with. To remember Ruth, is to know that she was an avid lover of God, her family, the holidays, vibrant flowers, great music, laughter, dancing, and being the “life of the party.” Today, we know that she is in Heaven surrounded by loved ones and all of these elements, as she celebrates the greatest occasion of her life – her homegoing celebration. We will continue to honor and celebrate her extraordinary life and outstanding legacy by continuing her traditions through our daily lives.

CLARENCE BERNARD ROOT

Clarence Bernard Root, 88, of Bay St. Louis, MS passed away Thursday, August 20, 2020 in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Root had been a resident of Bay St. Louis for 15 years. He was of the Catholic faith, served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, and was a member of the American Legion Post 139 in Bay St. Louis. Mr. Root will be sadly missed by family and friends.

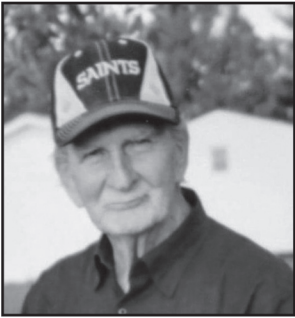
He was preceded in death by his son, Dennis Root and parents, Charles & Anna Sievers Root.

Survived by his wife, Barbara Garlepied Root of Bay St., MS; son, Douglas Root of New Orleans, LA; two daughters, Sharon Root Gault of Carriere, MS; and Stacy Root Cooper of Bay St. Louis, MS; two sisters, Janet Root Bowen of Metairie, LA; and Jacquelyn Root Champagne of

Gulfport, MS; daughter-in-law, Jane Root of Bay St. Louis, MS; 13 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, 4 nieces and 5 nephews.

Visitation will be Thursday, September 3, 2020 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis from 10:00 am until noon with a Prayer Service at noon. Interment will be at 1:30 pm with Military Honors at Biloxi National Cemetery in Biloxi, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.



Lt. Gov. Delbert Hosemann urges Mississippians to “wear a mask”

SEA COAST ECHO

A COVID-19 survivor, Mississippi Lt. Gov. Delbert Hosemann is urging the public to continue to take precautions against the dangerous virus, which has claimed the lives of more than 181,000 Americans. Hosemann taped a video at Mississippi Public Broadcasting at the urging of a national anti-virus volunteer group, NOCOVID.

The non-profit group aims to recruit celebrities and other “influencers” to make similar videos and share them with their social media followers. In this video, Hosemann urges Mississippians to “love your neighbor” by wearing a mask, frequent hand-washing and keeping social distance. Organizations and individuals receiving or viewing the video are asked to share it with their friends and social media followers for maximum public information. For more information or other videos, go to www.nocovid.us.

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including but not limited to athletic competitions, band performances and concerts, cheer performances, and theater performances shall be permitted subject to the following limitations: i. Attendance shall be limited to a maximum

of 25 percent of the venue’s seating capacity (excluding coaches, directors, teachers, referees/officials, medical personnel, staff/workers, and press/media) depending on space available to ensure a minimum of six feet social distancing between persons not in the same household.”

The new order will expire on Sept. 14 at 8 a.m.

Chairman Dane Maxwell Announces No Call Violations by Numerous Companies

Companies represent 287 complaints, approximately 574 alleged violations, and a potential \$5,460,000 in fines

SEA COAST ECHO

Last week, Chairman Dane Maxwell of the Mississippi Public Service Commission announced penalties to be assessed to companies who have violated the Mississippi No Call Law. The following companies have been charged by the PSC for various violations:

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 - Inside Response LLC
 - Smart Funnel, LLC
 - National Brokers of America, Inc.
 - Citizen’s Disability, LLC
 - Firstsource Solutions USA, LLC
 - Simple SIP Solutions, LLC
- “Robocalls are something we fight everyday here at the PSC,”

Chairman Maxwell said. “These people are breaking the law and preying on Mississippians, and particularly the most vulnerable. I’m glad to see these penalties assessed and I will continue to combat this problem for our state.”

These companies represent 287 complaints, approximately 574 alleged violations, and a potential \$5,460,000 in fines.

Mississippi Red Snapper season opening Labor Day weekend

SEA COAST ECHO

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources announced today that Red Snapper season will open for private recreational anglers and state for-hire vessels on Saturday, Sept. 5, 2020, in state and federal waters.

A closure date is currently not set as MDMR staff will analyze all data daily so as to not exceed Mississippi’s 2020 allocation. Additionally, anglers may be given less than a 24-hour notice of season closure in order to maximize season length and opportunity for anglers. Please review available information at dmr.ms.gov/category/news-and-updates/, as well as Tails n’ Scales prior to trip departure.

Private recreational anglers may fish out to 200 nautical miles. Vessels with state for-hire permits can fish in state territorial waters, which is nine nautical miles south of the barrier islands.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at dmr.ms.gov.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD
LOGIC & ACCURACY TESTING
TSX VOTING MACHINES

The City of Diamondhead Election Commissioners will be conducting LOGIC AND ACCURACY TESTING ON THE TSX VOTING MACHINES in preparation for the City of Diamondhead September 15, 2020 Special Election for Mayor. The testing will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2020. Testing will be conducted at the Hancock County Courthouse located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS. Anyone interested in attending the testing is welcome.

Jeannie Klein
CITY CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD
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The Special Election for Mayor will be held **Tuesday, September 15, 2020** at the Diamondhead Community Center for Wards 2, 3 and 4 voters and Diamondhead City Hall for Ward 1 voters. Polls will be open from **7 a.m. – 7 p.m. on election day.**

Absentee Voting is available at Diamondhead City Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday and Saturday, September 5, 2020 from 8 a.m. to noon and Saturday, September 12, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The last day to cast an absentee ballot in person at City Hall will be Saturday, September 12th before 5:00 p.m.

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Devotional Page

LIVING A STRESS FREE LIFE

By GARY ANDREWS

In today's society we are faced every day for a quick response to just about any question or need. Most of us tend to want answers immediately to our needs. The people and places we work for demand problems and issues to be taken care of as quick as possible and, in many instances, there is no offer from our superiors on how to handle these situations. All of this leads us into a time of life called "stress". Stress is defined in many ways but the one that hinders us the most is defined by Webster's Dictionary this way: "...emphasis; importance; significance; a mental or emotional tension or strain characterized by feelings, anxiety, etc., a factor or combinations of factors that causes such tension or strain, as an urgent need or perceived threat."

The world is telling us to be in a hurry for our decisions and insure that we have properly studied and worked through any problems or questions. In many cases time is really not a factor, but we believe it is because someone has put a value on a quick response. We frequently fear things and time that really never come to pass. When we do this, we are taking our eyes and trust away from God and depending on our own strength

and the worldly situations to get us through. Why do we do this? As a Christian we know without any hesitation that God is faithful and will never leave us. I believe that we sometimes get so wrapped up in what we are doing or what someone wants done, that we, through our fear, do not trust God for answers. As in any situation the more we are in the Word of God our fear subsides because we are continually being renewed by God's promises and how we should put our trust in Him first and foremost. It is especially comforting to us if we will spend time with God and in His Word each day. If we do this then God will unleash His powerful words on and give us the comfort that only He can. In Philippians 4:6-7 we are told; "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Jesus gives us the perfect perspective on life in these verses. None of us can add one day to our lifespan by worrying or stressing over situations, many of them beyond our control. We

can take lessons from nature such as the birds and the flowers in the field. God takes care of them. The birds do not stress from day to day about what they will eat or where they will get their food. The flowers do not worry about the water nourishment they need because God takes care of them. Does not God love us and take care of more so than the birds of the air and the flowers of the field? The child of God has nothing to fear or stress over because He will take care of us. In most instances our fear, worry, and stress are created by us because we take our eyes off of Jesus. We do this when we try to work on our own merits and not trust God to get us through our situations. We can all live stress free if we keep our eyes on Jesus and live for Him instead of the world. I know you might say that this is almost impossible because of the demands of the world and the workplace. Believe me, I have been there and done that. Nothing is as important as keeping my eyes fixed on our Lord and Savior, and when I learned the hard way to do this, my life became more enjoyable and stress free. There is nothing this world can do to you that you and the Lord can't handle!

SUGGESTED DAILY BIBLE readings

- **SUNDAY**
John 14:25-27
- **MONDAY**
Psalm 55:16-23
- **TUESDAY**
Philippians 4:10-13
- **WEDNESDAY**
Joshua 1:5
- **THURSDAY**
Matthew 6:19-24
- **FRIDAY**
Malachi 4:1-3
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1 Timothy 4:1

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
WHEREAS, on March 27, 2008, William M Nesom and Sandra M Nesom executed a certain deed of trust to Debera Bridges, Trustee for the use and benefit of CITIFINANCIAL REAL ESTATE SERVICES, INC., which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock, County, state of Mississippi, in Book 2008, Page 12209; and WHEREAS, Jauregui & Lindsey, LLC is the current Substituted Trustee by instrument recorded in the Chancery Clerk's Office on December 13, 2019 in Book 2019, Page 28246; and

the 10th day of August, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Cause No. 23CH1:20-cv-364-MA to the undersigned upon the Estate of SHIRLEY CHAISSON BOURQUARD, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days after the first publication of this notice on August 19, 2020, or the claims will ever be barred.

THIS, the 12th day of August, 2020.
JEANNE BOURQUARD-WOOD
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS ELLSWORTH COLBERT, DECEASED NO. 20-123
DAWN DAVIS
ADMINISTRATRIX
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Residence Unknown)
TO: Unknown heirs at law of Thomas Ellsworth Colbert, Deceased, whose residence is unknown.
You have been made a Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Dawn Davis, Administratrix.
The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging and seeking to establish the unknown heirs at law of Thomas Ellsworth Colbert.
You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition at 9:00 o'clock A. M. on the 24th day of September, 2020, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse at Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other relief demanded in the complaint.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under hand and the seal of said Court, this 12TH day of August, 2020.
TIM KELLAR, Chancery Clerk
BY: ASHLEY N. HOLLAND
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP AND OF THE EMERGENCY GUARDIANSHIP OF A.F.B., A MINOR
BY PETITIONERS KACEY WHITNEY AND KEVIN WHITNEY
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:20-CV-256-JP
RULE 81-SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: THE UNKNOWN FATHER OF A.F.B., wherever he may be found, whose present street and post office addresses are unknown, you have been made a Defendant in the Petition for Appointment of Guardians of a minor filed in this Court.
You are summoned to appear and defend against the Complaint or Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 30th Day of September, 2020, in the Chancery courtroom of the Chancery Courthouse located at 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501, before the Honorable Chancery Court Judge Jim Persons and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the things demanded in the Complaint or Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire to Todd N. Thrifflery, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose post office address is P.O. Box 3295, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521 and whose telephone number is 228-467-2400.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.
ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 12 Day of August, 2020.
Timothy Kellar, Clerk
Hancock County Chancery Court (SEAL)
BY: /s/ Bridgette Ladner
Deputy Clerk
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY MISSISSIPPI
IN THE ESTATE OF EVELYN M. LADY, DECEASED
CIVIL ACTION NO. 23CH1:20-CV-382-CB
STEVEN G. LADY AND WILLIAM R. LADY, CO-EXECUTORS
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Evelyn M. Lady, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 31st day of July, 2020, and all persons having claim against said Estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim.
This the 14th day of August, 2020.
Steven G. Lady and William R. Lady, as Co-Executors of the Estate of Evelyn M. Lady
Salloum Law Firm, PLLC
BY: /s/ Teal Salloum
Kaleel "Teal" Salloum, Jr., Attorney for the Estate of Evelyn M. Lady
SALLOUM LAW FIRM, PLLC
Ms. Bar No. 9195
Post Office Box 1717
Gulfport, Mississippi 39502
(228) 863-6727
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EDITH MAE GRANT, DECEASED
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-351-JP
BY: TIMOTHY IRVIN GRANT, EXECUTOR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been issued by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 14th day of July, 2020, to the undersigned as Executor of the Estate of EDITH MAE GRANT, Deceased, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of EDITH MAE GRANT, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same.
THIS, the 24th day of July, 2020.
/s/ Timothy Irvin Grant
TIMOTHY IRVIN GRANT, Executor
Preston J. Maudfray (MSB #101131)
Attorney at Law, PLLC
P.O. Box 4272
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521
Telephone: (228) 216-6124
Facsimile: (866) 216-6124
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EDITH MAE GRANT, DECEASED
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-351-JP
BY: TIMOTHY IRVIN GRANT, EXECUTOR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been issued by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 14th day of July, 2020, to the undersigned as Executor of the Estate of EDITH MAE GRANT, Deceased, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of EDITH MAE GRANT, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same.
THIS, the 24th day of July, 2020.
/s/ Timothy Irvin Grant
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GILBERT K HICKMAN, SR, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:19-cv-00481-JP
Gilbert K Hickman, Jr, PETITIONER
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To: the unknown heirs at law of Gilbert K Hickman, Sr, deceased, and any and all other persons claiming any interest to the estate of Gilbert K Hickman, Sr, whose names, post office boxes and addresses are unknown after a diligent search and inquiry.
You have been made a Defendant in a petition/suit filed in this Court by Gilbert K Hickman, Jr., Administrator, seeking

to establish the heirs at law of Gilbert K Hickman, Sr, Deceased. You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 22nd day of September 2020, in the Chancery Courtroom of Harrison County in Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief or other things demanded in the Petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 14th day of August, 2020.
Hon. Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk
By: Tammy Meyer, Deputy Clerk
Engene J. Hoffman, IV, 305 Reese Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, 228-231-1328
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES JOSEPH TRACEY, SR., DECEASED
DENNIS LOGAN TRACEY, ADMINISTRATOR
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:18-cv-730 (MA)
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Unknown Resident)
TO: CHARLES JOSEPH TRACEY, JR., AND SEAN O'HARA TRACEY, AND Any and All Unknown Heirs-at-Law, whose whereabouts and address is unknown, Administrator's Petition to Determine Heirs at Law of CHARLES JOSEPH TRACEY, SR., DECEASED.
You have been made a Defendant in the Petition filed in this Court by Administrator, DENNIS LOGAN TRACEY.
You are summoned to appear and defend against said Claim to Determine Heirs on a date certain set, Friday, September 25, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., in the Courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, in front of the Honorable Margaret Alfonso, Chancellor, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Complaint or Petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you so desire.

ISSUED under my hand and the seal of Court this, the 17th day of August 2020.
(SEAL)
TIM KELLAR, CHANCERY COURT CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BY: /s/ Bridgette Ladner D.C.
DEPUTY CLERK (SEAL)
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES JOSEPH TRACEY, SR., DECEASED
DENNIS LOGAN TRACEY, ADMINISTRATOR
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:18-cv-730 (MA)
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Unknown Resident)
TO: CHARLES JOSEPH TRACEY, JR., AND SEAN O'HARA TRACEY and Any and All Unknown Heirs-at-Law, and/or claimants, whose whereabouts and address is/are unknown, in reference to the Administrator's Motion to Close Estate, and Distribute Net Assets.
You have been made a Respondent in the Motion filed in this Court by Administrator, DENNIS LOGAN TRACEY.
You are summoned to appear and defend against said Motion to Close and Distribute the Net Assets of the Estate on a date certain set, Friday, September 25, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., in the Courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, in front of the Honorable Margaret Alfonso, Chancellor, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Motion and/or other relief.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you so desire.

ISSUED under my hand and the seal of Court this, the 17th day of August 2020.
(SEAL)
TIM KELLAR, CHANCERY COURT CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BY: /s/ Bridgette Ladner D.C.
DEPUTY CLERK (SEAL)
08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
DIAMONDHEAD, MS
The First Pentecostal Church of Diamondhead represented Pastor Kelly Kelly has filed an application requesting Planning Commission Review in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance Table 4.2 and Article 2.4 to allow a church in an existing building in a C-1 zoning district. The Case File Number is 202000344.
The tax parcel number is 132H-1-03-006.001. The property address is 4373 Park Ten Drive. James Sweetman is the property owner. The property is located south of and adjacent to Park Ten Drive and east of and adjacent to Park Ten Drive. The property is in a C-1 zoning district.
In accordance with the Zoning Ordinance Articles 2.4.4 and 2.4.5, the Planning Commission may recommend approval as the permit was applied for or in a modified form or may recommend denial of the application. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider this application at its next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held at Diamondhead City Hall in the Council Chambers at 5000 Diamondhead Circle in Diamondhead, MS 39525. Interested members of the public are invited to attend.
If you have any questions or comments or would like to review the application, you may contact the Building Department at the above address and/or at 228-222-4626.
08/26/20, 09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RITA T. HAAS, DECEASED
CAUSE NO: 23CH1:20-cv-292-CB
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 18th day of August, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Rita T. Haas, Deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
This 19th day of August, A.D., 2020.
DON R. HAAS, JR.
ADMINISTRATOR
Michael D. Haas, Jr.
Haas & Haas, Attorneys at Law
201 North Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
T: (228) 467-6574
F: (228) 467-6575
MS BAR NO. 5091
08/26/20, 09/02/20, 09/09/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RITA T. HAAS, DECEASED
CAUSE NO: 23CH1:20-cv-292-CB
SUMMONS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF RITA T. HAAS, DECEASED
You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by DON R. HAAS,

JR., Administrator of the Estate of RITA T. HAAS, deceased, seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of RITA T. HAAS, deceased. The Defendants other than you in this action are: Deborah H. Lee and Tammy L. Haas, who along with DON R. HAAS, JR. are alleged to be the sole heirs of the deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 p.m. on October 1, 2020, in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you so desire.
ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 19th day of August, 2020.
Timothy Kellar
Chancery Clerk
By: Cassie Tribble
Deputy Clerk
152 Main Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
228-467-5406
Michael D. Haas, Jr.
Haas & Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-6574
MS Bar No. 5091
08/26/20, 09/02/20, 09/09/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY JANE VALLERY, Deceased
STEPHEN WAYNE VALLERY;
KIRK CHARLES VALLERY;
JERRY EVANS VALLERY; AND
MARK CLARK VALLERY
CO-PETITIONERS/
ADMINISTRATOR
CAUSE NO.: 19-CV-655 (CB)
UNKNOWN CREDITORS-AT-LAW
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Resident Unknown)
TO: UNKNOWN CREDITORS-AT-LAW, whose whereabouts and address is unknown. You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Co-Petitioners, STEPHEN WAYNE VALLERY; KIRK CHARLES VALLERY; JERRY EVANS VALLERY and MARK CLARK VALLERY.
You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition to Establish Creditors on a date certain set by Fiat, at 9:00 a.m. on the 16th day of November 2020, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court, Mississippi, located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you so desire.
ISSUED under my hand and the seal of Court this, the 14th day of August 2020
(Seal)
TIM KELLAR
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi
BY: Cassie Tribble D. C.
08/26/20, 09/02/20, 09/09/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY JANE VALLERY, Deceased
STEPHEN WAYNE VALLERY;
KIRK CHARLES VALLERY;
JERRY EVANS VALLERY; AND
MARK CLARK VALLERY
CO-PETITIONERS/
ADMINISTRATOR
CAUSE NO.: 19-CV-655 (CB)
UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW
SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Resident Unknown)
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS -AT -LAW, whose whereabouts and address is unknown
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Petitioners, STEPHEN WAYNE VALLERY; KIRK CHARLES VALLERY; JERRY EVANS VALLERY; and MARK CLARK VALLERY.
You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition to Establish Heirs on a date certain set by Fiat at 9:00 a.m. on the 16th day of November 2020, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you so desire.
ISSUED under my hand and the seal of Court this, the 14th day of August, 2020.
(Seal)
TIM KELLAR
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi
BY: Cassie Tribble D. C.
08/26/20, 09/02/20, 09/09/20

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS on March 17, 2017, Lawrence Rolland Carter and Mary Lynn Carter executed a Deed of Trust in favor of Hancock Bank, a trade name for Whitney Bank, Beneficiary and Joy Lambert Phillips, Trustee, which Deed of Trust was recorded in the records of mortgages and deeds of trust on land in the office of the Chancery Clerk for Hancock County, Mississippi, in deed of trust book 2017 at pages 6937-6947 with respect to the real property located in Hancock County, Mississippi described herein below; and WHEREAS, the Hancock Whitney Bank, formerly known as Hancock Bank, the present owner and holder of the above-described Deed of Trust, has heretofore substituted William P. Wessler as Trustee by instrument dated March 3, 2020 and recorded in said Chancery Clerk's office on March 10, 2020 in book 2020 at pages 5256-5257; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, Hancock Whitney Bank, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Trustee's fees and expenses of sale; NOW, THEREFORE, I, William P. Wessler, Substituted Trustee in said Deed of Trust will on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the main front door of the Hancock County courthouse located at 152 Main Street , Bay St. Louis, Mississippi to the highest and best bidder for cash the real property and improvements being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
Lots 55 & 56, Quail Ridge Phase II, a subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Commonly known as 7011 Tampon Lane, Perkinston, MS 39573
I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this the 27th day of August, 2020.
/s/ William P. Wessler
WILLIAM P. WESSLER

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
1624 24th Avenue
Gulfport, MS 39501
228-863-3686
MSB # 7110
09/02/20, 09/09/20, 09/16/20, 09/23/20

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
NOTICED IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAVE-LAND ON THE SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2020, 6:00 P.M. VIA CONFERENCE CALL. THIS IS ALSO NOTIFICATION THAT THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION IS A RECOMMENDING COMMISSION ONLY. THE WAVELAND BOARD OF ALDERMAN WILL CONSIDER FINAL APPROVAL OF THE REQUESTED APPLI-CATIONS ON OCTOBER 6TH, 2020 AT 6:30 PM VIA CONFERENCE CALL. These meetings are being held by CONFER-ENCE CALL due to the current public health restrictions
City of Waveland Virtual Meeting Space
Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/463826421>
You can also dial in using your phone.
United States: +1 (669) 224-3412
Access Code: 463-826-421
Please call in at least ten (10) minutes prior the start of each meeting to make sure everyone is present for the beginning of the meeting

Shane Bernard, owner of the property commonly known as 119 Market Street, Legal Description: Lot 100C, Parcel 108, Third Ward, Waveland, Mississippi, is requesting variances from Section 701.3 – Minimum Front Yard – Twenty-five (25) foot, Section, Section 701.4 – Minimum Side Yard – Fifteen (15) feet and Section 701.5 Minimum Rear Yard – Twenty-five (25) feet. The applicant is requesting a five (5) foot variance from the front yard requirement resulting in a twenty (20) foot front yard. The applicant is requesting a five (5) foot variance from the Rear Yard requirement resulting in a twenty (20) foot rear yard. The applicant is requesting a five (5) foot variance from each side yard resulting in ten (10) foot side yards.
Brian Alexander, current owner of the property commonly known as 1200 Henderson Street, Legal Description: Lot 2B, and Part of Lot 5, 4th Ward, Waveland, Mississippi is requested a Conditional Use for an Accessory Structure over Five-Hundred (500) square feet as required by Section 601.1(K) of the current Zoning Ordinance. The applicant is requesting to build an Accessory Structure (Pole Barn) of One-Thousand, Three-Hundred and Fifty (1,350) square feet.
Terie Capella & Julie Schuster, current owners of the property commonly known as 311 Waveland Avenue, Legal Description: South ½ of Lot 13 and All of Lot 14, Finks Subdivision Waveland, Mississippi are requesting variances from the current Zoning Ordinance, Section 701.2, Minimum Lot Width of One-hundred (100) feet for each proposed "Parcel A" and "Parcel B". The Applicants are requesting a variance of twenty-five feet for both proposed lots resulting in a Lot Width of seventy-five (75) feet for each lot. The purpose of the request is to allow the owners to split the current parcel in to two lots for the purposes of Single Family residences on both lots.

Marion Langdon, current owner of the property on St Anthony Street (not yet addressed), legal description; Lots 3 & 4, Block 2, Audrey Place subdivision is requesting a variance from the Lot Area to bring the parcel into compliance and allow construction of a single-family residence. The parcel requires a variance from the overall lot area requirement for Single Family Residential (R1) of 12,000 square feet per Section 701.1 – Minimum Lot Area. The proposed parcel would have an area of 8,750 square feet. The variance request would be 3,250 square feet for the parcel.
Beach Walk Development, LLC has made application for a Conditional Use for an R-1 Single Family Zoning District per Section 601.2(G) of the current Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of the Conditional Use application is to allow the development of a Residential Planned-Development Project pursuant to Section 401.8 of the current Zoning Ordinance. The property consists of the following Parcels, "Parcel#1) 161F-0-02-022.008, "Parcel#2) 161F-0-02-017.000 and "Parcel #3) 161C-0-02-139.000. Legal Descriptions of Parcels; Parcel #1 – Part of Lot 14, 2nd Ward, City of Waveland, MS. Parcel #2 – Parcel#2 – Lot 12A, 2nd Ward, City of Waveland, MS. Parcel#3 – Lots 27A & 26B, Grosvenor Place Subdivision.
Beach Walk Development, LLC has made application for a Preliminary Subdivision Plat for an R-1 Single Family Zoning District Conditional Use – Residential Planned-Development Project pursuant to Section 305 – Procedure for Approval of Preliminary Plat, City of Waveland Subdivision Ordinance. Please see Parcel and Legal Descriptions of said parcels above.

INTERESTED PARTIES MAY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD.
For additional information, phone (228) 202-5772, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
Publish, September 2nd, 2020 – David Draz, Zoning Official
09/02/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GLORIA S. VIGANT, DECEASED
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-376-JS
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 26th day of August, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Gloria S. Vigant, Deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
This 26th day of August, A.D., 2020.
RUFUS D. BAUER,
ADMINISTRATOR
Michael D. Haas, Jr.
Haas & Haas, Attorneys at Law
201 North Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
T: (228) 467-6574
F: (228) 467-6575
MS BAR NO. 5091
09/02/20, 09/09/20, 09/16/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
MEKDES SMITH
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-436-JS
EVANGELINE JANE ELLEN GODDEN;
KENNETH GODDEN; and
ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS
DEFENDANTS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO: a) EVANGELINE JANE ELLEN GODDEN, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of this state, whose present street and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; or if dead, the unknown heirs-at-law or devisees of said defendant; b) KENNETH GODDEN, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of this state, whose present street and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; or if dead, the unknown heirs-at-law

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE
WHEREAS, by Deed of Trust dated December 7, 2018 (the "Deed of Trust"), filed of record in Book 2018, Page 25893, in the Office of the Chancery Court Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi (the "Land Records"), Lawrence Scott Lee and Irena Deen Lee, husband and wife, did convey in trust to Jason E. Sharp, as Trustee, certain property described therein to secure payment of a debt in the original principal sum of \$962,000.00

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of sale to another day and time certain, without further publication and in accordance with law, upon announcement of said adjournment on the day and time and place of sale set forth above.

The failure of any high bidder to pay the purchase price and close this sale immediately shall, at the option of the Trustee, be cause for rejection of the bid. The proceeds derived from the sale of the property will be applied as provided for in said Deed of Trust and are made a part hereof as if set forth verbatim herein. Substitute Trustee shall convey only such title as is vested in him as the Substitute Trustee.

This Notice of Sale has been posted and published in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 89-1-55 and any provisions of the Deed of Trust affecting same beginning August 19, 2020.

Erno Lindner, Substitute Trustee
BAKER, DONELSON, BEARMAN,
CADDWELL
& BERKOWITZ, P.C.
633 Chestnut Street, Suite 1900
Chattanooga, TN 37405
(423) 756.2010

08/19/20, 08/26/20, 09/02/20, 09/09/20

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Ponthieux said the investigation is ongoing and asked that anyone with information in the case contact the Criminal Investigations Division at 228-466-5485.

her home to conduct an interview that would take approximately 15 minutes. In that case, the officers would not let the suspect

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Within six hours of landfall, MDOT first responders opened all structurally safe roadways to emergency response teams. Within 16 hours all state-main-

“This has happened in other places in the county, and it happened up in Ridgeland seven or

Port & Harbor Commission CEO Bill Cork resigned earlier this

Both the Biloxi Bay and Bay St. Louis Bridges were damaged beyond repair, along with most of U.S. Highway 90 and many other highways. Although there were many obstacles during reconstruction,

If you wish to report the same scam happening to you, White said, contact your local law enforcement agency, whether it be the sheriff's office or the Wave-land, Bay St. Louis or Diamond-head police department. If you have any information in the case, you may call Central Dispatch at 228-255-9191; or call the sheriff's office directly at 228-466-6900.

University in 1969 and has been a real estate broker and Realtor for 37 years serving as a property manager and developer of commercial and residential real estate for John McDonald Realty. He is a former President of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Foreign Trade Zone.

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Week of August 30, 2020

Pearl River releases Spring 2020 Dean’s and President’s lists

SEA COAST ECHO

Pearl River Community College released its President’s and Dean’s lists Wednesday with more than 1,000 Wildcats honored.

Students who earned a 3.4-3.99 GPA were named to the Dean’s List. Students who earned a 4.0 GPA were honored on the President’s List.

Below is a complete list of this year’s honorees:

DEAN’S LIST

Bay Saint Louis: Catherine Authement, Bryce Barbay, Brittany Cantu, Bernadette Derosier, Elyse Favre, Rozelia Fayard, Brandon Fleming, Jason Fricke, Jennifer Gibbons-Edwards, Macy Henderson, Carla Hugill, Zahric Labat, Madelynne Ladner, Alex Lewis, Kalie Lindberg, Crystal Meyer, Jeaneen Morel, Consuelo Moroyoqui, Colton Necaise, Destiny Porter, Tiahni Powell, Arielle Schwartz

Diamondhead: Kacie Gallagher, Leigh Gallag-

her, Jamie Helmstetter, Alexandria Irias, Ronald Lee, Serena Lee, Chelsea Ohern, Gabriel Story

Kiln: Dawson Boudreaux, Joley Cameron, Kayley Chighizola, Doyle Duncan, Jesse Evans, Stephen Glover, Kylee Ladner, Thienqui Lam, Jenna Mendoza, Hailea Molina, Claudia Perret, Brailey Smith, Alyssa Steen Haas, Steven Warran, Gary Wyman

Pass Christian: Logan Bradley, Brandon Gingell, Katlyn Hodge,

Christopher Ladner, Maxwell Matsenbaugh, Cherish Stogner, Taylor Woodcock, Bernetta Pritchett

Perkinston: Daniel Munyan, Pamela Brock, Tayler Grant, Danielle Harrison, Emily Johnson, Jalone McLaughlin, Heather Royston, Dylan Shaw, Ian Wallace, Angela Lambert

Waveland: Brenda Benitez Morales, Nathan Cox, Amanda Herbert, Anna Riggs, Dalton Roan

PRESIDENT’S LIST

Bay Saint Louis: Blake Driscoll, Tyler Farrell, Alex Moran, Justin Newton, Shawn Nordin, Carly Sudduth, Kayse Tower, Alexander Waterman

Diamondhead: Maleah Austin, Gabrielle Darby, Ethan Finley, Crystal Ingersoll-Steube, Janki Patel, Katelyn Taylor, Isabella Thoennes, Matthew Wright

Kiln: Kendrick Byrd, Alexis Douglas, Mariah Doyle, Cooper Grafe, Richard Holladay, Collin Ladner, Harleigh LaFon-

taine, Alyssa Necaise, Travis Necaise, Kyla Pavolini, Tricia Ray, Alexis Ritchie, Chloe Swilley

Pass Christian: Matthew Browder, Luke Davis, David Miles, Houston Tripp, William Watts, Vicki Beech

Perkinston: Kaila Cole, Calaina Ladner, Mallory Spiers, Jamie Thompson

Waveland: Kaitlyn Cothen, Tristian Duhon, Nicole Garber, Sierra McArthur, Alex Rimmer

INFINITY and Diamondhead partner for STEM/STEAM educational series

SEA COAST ECHO

The city of Diamondhead and INFINITY Science Center have joined together to present a series of educational programs in the community for both children and adults.

“INFINITY Science Center is pleased to partner with the City of Diamondhead in a joint effort to bring STEM/STEAM out into communities along the Mississippi Gulf Coast,” according to a statement from both entities. “STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) are very im-

portant in today’s world.

“This is a chance to give children in grades 2-6 an opportunity to explore these fields as they develop a love for all things STEM. We are also pleased to announce the Adult Learning Opportunity. This will give curious adults a chance to learn from experts about various science topics.”

The courses are scheduled from September through November, and social distancing will be observed. Masks will also be required.

Classes are free, but registration is required. Register by going to www.visitinfinity.com.

All programs will be held at the Activity Center in Diamondhead City Hall. Children’s programs are for grades 2-6 and scheduled from 10 a.m.-noon on Sept. 19, Oct. 17 and Nov. 21. The children’s programs are limited to 25 participants each, so early registration is recommended. Adult programs are scheduled from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. on Sept. 15, Oct. 13 and Nov. 17.

The first adult class on Sept. 15 will focus on “Aquaponics/Hydroponics.”

During the program, participants will discuss saving water, reducing pollution, sustainability and how both can increase the amount of vegetables you grow.

The first children’s program is set for Sept. 19 on “Chemistry.” Students will be able to “experience the wonder of Physical and Chemical reactions” and make ice cream and see “fizzy” reactions.

Both September programs are also sponsored by St. Stanislaus College.

The next adult class is slated for Oct. 13. INFINITY curator and rocket enthusiast Mark Graves will host the class, walking participants through the history of rockets and helping them learn about the behemoth booster located at INFINITY that launched the first man to the moon.

The October children’s class will focus on “Physics,” taking students through the science of playgrounds and roller coasters.

Both the October programs are sponsored by Coast Electric.

On Nov. 17, adults will learn about the Lagasse Apiaries and “Bees: Their Importance and How You Can Help.” The program will be presented by Shawn Lagasse of Lagasse Apiaries.

On Nov. 21, children will learn about engineering, the engineering design process and how to use it to make and improve a straw rocket.

Learn more at www.visitinfinity.com.

OLA’s Sofia Schuyler awarded the 2020 Richard Gilder history prize



Photo courtesy of OLA

OLA Sofia ‘Fia’ Schuyler, as the 2020 recipient of the Richard Gilder History Prize, is presented with the special printing of David McCullough’s 1776 book from Principal Marilyn Pigott.

SEA COAST ECHO

Our Lady Academy’s former 11th grader Sofia ‘Fia’ Schuyler has been awarded the 2020 Richard Gilder History Prize by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, the nation’s leading organization dedicated to K-12 American history education. The prize recognizes 11th graders around the nation who have a record of high achievement in American history and demonstrated

civic involvement in the community.

Our Lady Academy History teacher Elise Cuevas stated, “Fia is intrinsically motivated and curious which as an educator those qualities make my job easy. She consistently puts forth 100% and is eager to help others whenever needed.”

In addition to receiving an inscribed copy of David McCullough’s book 1776, Fia is invited to apply for a prestigious, free program that Gilder Lehrman runs for high school students called the National Academy of American History and Civics, which includes an online course, Q & A sessions with famous historians, and free college coaching that connects participants with excellent humanities programs at a variety of colleges and universities. In addition, she receives exclusive eligibility for full-tuition scholarships at major universities.



• JOURNEY

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hardly ever left my side. Frequently, he would trot up to my car and turn to look at me quizzically as if saying, “Let’s go home now, mom.” Poor little guy had no clue that his home was somewhere out in the Gulf of Mexico.

I feel certain that the cancer which claimed his life was caused by the chemicals in the FEMA trailer where we lived. For the first two weeks, the powerful smell nearly knocked me over whenever I entered. Heaven only knows what it was doing to Oliver with his keen sense of smell! But Oliver, who now lies buried near the statue of St. Francis, was nearly thirteen when he died of unnatural causes so I would have had a hard time proving that FEMA killed him; and it would not have brought Oliver back to me.

The Lord loved Job and trusted him to accept the suffering in his life without losing faith. Even so, Job longed to have his question answered: “Why, Lord?” Disasters such as Hurri-

cane Katrina raise the same question in the hearts of many of us. So do other occasions of grief and sorrow. God lets Job know that his suffering was not caused by sin as his three wrong-headed friends thought. But beyond that, Job does not receive the kind of answer he expects. Instead, God tells Job that when he can create a universe, keep planets in their orbits, cause the seasons and the tides to behave with regularity, render into material form such diversity of life as whales or crocodiles, then he can ask the question. In other words, Job cannot begin to comprehend the answer to his question and therefore does not have the right to ask it. But the Book of Job is an Old Testament work, after all, as evidenced by the fact that Job’s rewards come in this life rather than the next. What about the suffering of Jesus? Before Hurricane Katrina, I used to attend the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday only and not always then.

But afterwards, I was drawn to attend the Stations regularly during Lent. The suffering of Jesus not only redeemed us from sin but also made

our own suffering meaningful.

During the time after Katrina, I started paying more attention to news coverage of African peoples facing drought, starvation, and genocide.

I vividly recalled a pre-Katrina television show in which a news anchor interviewing Mother Teresa asked why the saintly nun thought we in the West should have so much while the poor of Calcutta had so little. Mother Teresa responded: “Perhaps we are not worthy enough to have such suffering.” One of Katrina’s gifts is that it enabled many of us to find inner resources we did not even know we had—not just in rebuilding our homes but also in rebuilding our spiritual lives.

Although I have suffered little in comparison to what others endured from Hurricane Katrina, I am led to believe that suffering does have a purpose; that it helps to refine the soul by teaching us compassion and sensitivity to the needs of others; and that it is somehow linked to the words that God spoke to us all: “you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you” (Isaiah 43:4).

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF ELECTRIC FRANCHISE MUNICIPALITY OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Municipality of Waveland, Mississippi, that a special election shall be held in the Municipality of Waveland, on the 5th day of October, 2020 on the following proposition:

PROPOSITION

Do you approve or disapprove the action of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Waveland, Mississippi, in adoption an ordinance entitled, **“AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE ELECTRIC FRANCHISE TO MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS, IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI”**

Whereby an electric franchise was granted to Mississippi Power Company, its successors, and assigns, as per the terms of said ordinance which was adopted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on the 2nd day of June, 2020.

Said election will be held at the usual voting place in the Municipality of Waveland. Said special election will be held pursuant to a Resolution of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen adopted on the 1st day of September, 2020 calling a special election for the approval or disapproval of a majority of the qualified electors-of the Municipality of Waveland, Mississippi, of the action of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in adopting an ordinance entitled, “AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE ELECTRIC FRANCHISE TO MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS, IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI”.

A copy of said ordinance and proceedings whereby same was adopted and is located on the City’s website for review @ <https://waveland.ms.gov/>

Done by order of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, on the 2nd day of June, 2020.

J. Mickey Lagasse
City Clerk, Municipality of Waveland, Mississippi

MSU releases Spring 2020 graduation & honors lists

Sea Coast Echo

Below is the Mississippi State University graduation List for the 2020 spring term for your county.

Honor graduates include all bachelor-degree candidates with exceptional scholastic averages and at least half the total required course hours earned at MSU. Their specific levels of recognition and the minimum required averages for each, based on a 4.0 scale, include: summa cum laude, 3.80; magna cum laude, 3.60; and cum laude, 3.40.

The academic honors are recorded on the graduates' diplomas and permanent records, as well as in the commencement program.

Graduation List:

Blake Lancaster Bell, Bay Saint Louis, College of Business, BBA

Aubry Skyler Cabaniss, Diamondhead, College of Arts & Sciences, BS

Kristopher Wayne Davis, Bay Saint Louis, Bagley College of Engineering, BS

Chayse Dreux Delcuze, Diamondhead, College of Business, BBA

James Nicholas Dollar, Diamondhead, Bagley College of Engineering, BS

Allie Lee Edwards, Diamondhead, College of Ag. & Life Sciences, BS, Cum Laude

Reagan Lee Edwards, Diamondhead, College of Business, BBA, Summa Cum Laude

Madelynn Cynthia Garza, Bay Saint Louis, College of Arts & Sciences, BA

Georgiana Olivia Hoover, Diamondhead, College of Ag. & Life Sciences, BS

Holly Xiao-Jun Howard, Diamondhead, Bagley College of Engineering, BS

Kaylie Marie Hyde, Diamondhead, College of Education, BS, Summa Cum Laude

William Robert Janowsky, Diamondhead, Bagley College of Engineering, BS, Summa Cum Laude

Gage Michael Kennedy, Kiln, Bagley College of Engineering, BS

Nathan Daniel Lambeth, Bay Saint Louis, College of Ag. & Life Sciences, MLA

Christopher Edward Lee, Bay Saint Louis, Bagley College of Engineering, BS

Mary Emily McGinity, Bay Saint Louis, Bagley College of Engineering, BS, Magna Cum Laude

Heather Marie Nieto, Waveland, College of Education, BS, Magna Cum Laude

Ryan Woods Pitalo, Bay St Louis, College of Business, BBA

Nicki Lee Reeder, Kiln, College of Business, MBA

Beth Noelle Shiyou, Diamondhead, College of Ag. & Life Sciences, BS, Magna Cum Laude

Emily Carole Stolz, Diamondhead, College of Forest Resources, BS, Summa Cum Laude

Jonathan Baxter Turfitt, Bay St Louis, Bagley College of Engineering, BS

Daniel Gerard Wikoff, Bay Saint Louis, College of Arch, Art & Design, BARC Cum Laude

Below is the Mississippi State University DEANS' PRESIDENT'S List for the 2020 spring semester for your county.

Students on the President's List achieved a 3.80 or better grade-point average, based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of course work with no incomplete grades or grades lower than a C.

President's List:

Macey Clair Ainsworth, Kiln

Tyrese Joseph Alexander, Bay Saint Louis

Minerva Alonso Ixtapan, Diamondhead

Christopher Ryan Anderson, Kiln

Maria Isabel Arroyo-Casillas, Diamondhead

Kyla Dawn Asher, Kiln

Landon Taylor Destin Brady, Waveland

Brynnan Renee Breland, Waveland

Peyton Reed Cabell, Waveland

Katelyn Christine Carver, Bay St Louis

Alyssa Mare'E Cascio, Kiln

Hannah Abigail Chevis, Diamondhead

Justin Aaron Childs, Bay Saint Louis

Serena Klaire Church, Diamondhead

Hannah Mae Crawford, Diamondhead

Ryli Cruz, Bay Saint Louis

Carsen Mechelle Cuevas, Bay St Louis

James Nicholas Dollar, Diamondhead

Matthew John Dorn, Waveland

Ally Elizabeth Duet, Diamondhead

Allie Lee Edwards, Diamondhead

Reagan Lee Edwards, Diamondhead

Natalie Renee Favre, Bay St Louis

Madelynn Cynthia Garza, Bay Saint Louis

Jones, Waveland

Cassidy Lynn Ketchum, Diamondhead

Brodie Wayne King, Kiln

Hannah Marie Ladner, Kiln

Shaina Shaira Lampert, Kiln

Austin Joseph Lizana, Kiln

Dimetri D Lyons, Bay Saint Louis

Heaven Leigh Sunset Martin, Bay Saint Louis

Seth Hunt McCallum, Kiln

Mary Emily McGinity, Bay Saint Louis

Heather Marie Nieto, Waveland

Brianna Virginia Page, Diamondhead

Hannah Faye Pitalo, Bay Saint Louis

Christopher Michael Potier, Bay St Louis

Richard Davis Powell, Bay St Louis

Davis McClinton Shannon, Diamondhead

Beth Noelle Shiyou, Diamondhead

Kimberly Nicole Shiyou, Kiln

Elaysia T Simms, Bay St Louis

Emily Carole Stolz, Diamondhead

Jennie Leigh Stolz, Diamondhead

Jonathan Baxter Turfitt, Bay St Louis

Deans' List students achieved a grade-point average between 3.5 and 3.79, based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of course work with no incomplete grades or grades lower than a C.

Deans' List:

Blake Lancaster Bell, Bay Saint Louis

Aubry Skyler Cabaniss, Diamondhead

Jason D Chess, Kiln

Kristopher Wayne Davis, Bay Saint Louis

Dylan Wayne Firschau, Diamondhead

Morgan Lynn Funderburk, Diamondhead

Michael Patrick Ingram, Bay Saint Louis

Brandon Keshawn Jones, Waveland

Laurel Ann Jones, Diamondhead

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX LEVIES FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR FOR THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS

The City of Bay St. Louis will hold a public hearing on its proposed budget and proposed tax levies for FYE 2021 on Sept. 8, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 598 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

The City of Bay St. Louis is now operating with projected total budget revenue of \$19,231,864. 19.61 percent or \$3,772,294 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For the next fiscal year, the proposed budget has a total projected revenue of \$24,683,785. Of that amount, 15.47 percent or \$3,818,953 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

The decision to not increase the ad valorem tax millage rate for FYE 2021 above the current year's ad valorem tax millage rate means you will not pay more in ad valorem taxes on your home, automobile tag, utilities, business fixtures and equipment and rental real property, unless the assessed value of your property has increased for FYE 2021.

Any citizen of the City of Bay St. Louis is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed budget and tax levies for fiscal year FYE 2021 and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.

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Hancock tops OLA in five sets; OLA tourney ends with Vancleave as champion by forfeit

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The first week of high school athletic competition is in the books and what a strange week it was.

It seemed strange that competition was being held after Covid-19 put an end to that back on March 13.

Area high school volleyball teams kicked everything off last week. Hancock and Our Lady Academy entertained the limited number of fans at the Father Peter Mockler Gymnasium last Tuesday evening August 25.

The Lady Hawks (3-2) and the OLA Crescents went five sets before Hancock won the match 3-2. Hancock won 25-20, 23-25, 21-25, 25-21, and 16-14.

Reagan Huff led Hancock with 22 kills, 19 digs, four aces and two blocks. Peyton Russell added eight kills, four blocks and three aces. Klair Cuevas contributed 46 assists and 13 digs while Alex Fausett had 27 digs.

Hancock head coach Lysie Gayden commented, “Tonight was our real first game since the season was pushed back. And, for our first opponent to be OLA that was a tough assignment. We started anxious but came together later in the match. We have our ups and downs in matches like this. It was nice to see that we have the confidence to get back in it after getting down a few points.”

OLA (4-3) was led by Camille Cottone with 14 points, four aces, 21 kills, four blocks, and 15 digs. Ashley Bulot had nine points, 20 assists, and five digs while Grace Koons had eight digs. Faith Anderson chipped in five blocks and Chloe Cornell tallied six points, 11 kills, and 13 digs. Kate Funk finished with six points and 14 assists and Anna Laura Williford had 12 pts, three aces, and eight digs.

OLA head coach Emily Corley stated, “I was proud of the girls tonight. They showed they are ready to out up a good fight against a

good opponent. Tonight, we saw what we can work on to improve our game and not come up short.”

OLA dropped their game with Vancleave on Wednesday evening 25-27, 17-25, and 20-25. The Crescents were paced by Bulot with five points, five assists, and five digs while Cottone had four points, nine kills and eight digs. Cornell had nine points, three kills, and seven digs. Funk finished with four points, eight assists, and five digs. Avery Matheson tallied five points.

On Thursday evening, OLA traveled to Seminary where Coach Corley picked up her first win 25-7, 25-10, and 25-6.

Bulot ended with two aces, five kills, and eight assists followed by Cottone with 12 kills, one block, and three digs. Koons had four digs followed by Cornell with five aces, 10 pts, four kills, and three digs. Abby Whaley chipped in three kills and Funk had nine assists. Williford finished with five aces, nine points, and two kills.

On Saturday, OLA hosted their annual Gulf Coast Kickoff Classic. In an abridged version with only eight teams due to Covid-19, the finals featured Gulfport and Vancleave. It was the first time that Gulfport has ever advanced to the finals of the tournament. The Lady Admirals played inspired volleyball knocking off the defending state champion Brandon Lady Bulldogs in three sets 15-25, 25-22, and 16-14.

However, a policy set forth by the Gulfport School District on Thursday mandated that Gulfport will forfeit any athletic contest against Jackson County schools which includes Vancleave.

In the tournament, the area teams of Bay High, Hancock and OLA all participated. Bay High beat Petal 25-22 and 25-23 but lost to OLA 25-9 and 25-5, and Gulfport 25-12 and 25-8. In the consolation game, Hancock beat Bay High 25-21 and 25-18.

Hancocm beat Oak Grove 25-12 and 25-16, and lost to Vancleave 25-27 and 18-25, and Brandon 24-26 and 18-25.

In pool play, OLA beat Bay High, Petal 25-13 and 25-19, and Gulfport 25-20 and 25-12 before losing to Vancleave in the semi-finals 10-25 and 14-25.

Bay High head coach Kellie Gunn stated, “The tournament today was a great learning day. It gave us a chance to look over our rotation and see where we might need to make some changes. We got better as the day progressed.”

Hancock was led in the tournament by Reagan Huff with 24 kills, 26 digs, four aces, and two blocks while Alex Fausett tallied 55 digs and seven aces. Alexa Palmer finished with 11 kills and 11 digs while Jacey Garriga had 44 assists and two aces. Peyton Russell ended with 11 kills, three aces and four blocks. Gayden stated about Saturday’s tournament, “Even though we didn’t end the weekend like we had hoped, I was pleased with how we performed as a team. When the entire team is working together as one and communicating well, we can compete with anyone. We are already looking solid as a team and it is just the beginning. It can only go up from here.”

In the tournament, OLA was led by Bulot with eight aces, 16 points, 16 kills, 35 assists, nine digs and one block. Cottone had six aces, 12 points, 28 kills, 14 digs and four blocks. Koons ended with three points and 22 digs while Averie Templeton had eight digs. Andersonclected had three blocks and Cornell had nine aces, 33 pts, 23 kills, and 24 digs. Funk finished with two aces, seven points, 43 assists, and eight digs. Matheson had three aces, six points and six digs. Williford ended with five aces, 13 pts, 14 kills, and seven digs.

Corley ended, “The tournament was a great success for all the teams. We stuck to the two people per player rule for admission and everything seemed to go well. We only had eight teams this year but the atmosphere was really competitive and there was some very well played games today.”

Mississippi Highway Patrol Announces Labor Day Travel Enforcement Period

SEA COAST ECHO

The Mississippi Highway Patrol will begin the 2020 Labor Day Travel Enforcement Period on Friday, September 4 at 12:01 a.m. and conclude Monday, September 7 at midnight.

In an effort to enforce traffic laws and reduce

traffic crashes, MHP will participate in Operation Crash Awareness and Reduction Effort during the holiday period. As part of Operation C.A.R.E., all available troopers will be assigned to saturation patrols to combat speeding and distracted driving issues. Drivers need to be mindful of the fact that bad decisions regarding impaired driv-

ing can result in serious consequences. Loss of employment, legal fees and possible jail time can take huge tolls on families. In order to remove impaired drivers and promote seatbelt usage, safety checkpoints will be established throughout the holiday period.

During the 2019 Labor Day enforcement period, MHP investi-

gated 131 crashes including 3 fatalities and made 216 D.U.I. arrests. We encourage everyone to practice proper social distancing and wear masks as we continue to battle COVID-19. Working together, we can ensure all motorists and families will enjoy the last holiday weekend of the summer and arrive at their destinations safely.

MDOT suspending work, keeping eye on traffic for Labor Day travel

SEA COAST ECHO

Mississippians planning to hit the road to spend time with family and friends this Labor Day will notice less travel delays due to construction. The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) will suspend all interstate and four-lane highway work in anticipation of increased holiday travel.

MDOT crews and contractors will halt all road construction requiring lane closures from Friday, September 4, at 5 p.m. until Tuesday, September 8, at 6 a.m. This will provide maximum travel capacity and minimal construction delays to motorists traveling throughout the state during the holiday.

“Even though no highway construction work will be occurring across the state, motorists should be aware that some lane closures will remain in place,” said Melinda McGrath, P.E., MDOT Executive Director. “These lanes closures are there to protect motorists, and drivers should treat these areas as active work zones.”

Motorists are urged to continue to pay attention to work zones, which can

present unfamiliar driving patterns. Motorists should slow down when approaching and traveling through work zones, and always avoid distracted driving.

“MDOT wants to make travel safe and convenient for the public during this holiday,” McGrath said. “While MDOT construction crews won’t be working, staff will be putting additional effort into monitoring the state’s highways to make sure everyone is able to enjoy this Labor Day safely.”

MDOT offers these tips to help motorists stay safe this Labor Day weekend:

- Buckle up and make sure your passengers do so as well.
- Make sure all children are in safety seats appropriate for their size.
- Don’t drink and drive. Always plan a designated driver when needed.
- Allow enough time for travel to avoid excessive speed and observe speed limits.
- Eliminate distracted driving activities such as eating or cell phone usage.
- Let someone know your destination, your route and when you expect to arrive.

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SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE
ORDER FOR AN ELECTION

Order No. 2020-045

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: Pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated Section 23-15-857, on Tuesday, September 15, 2020, a Special Municipal Election will be held in the City of Diamondhead, Hancock County, Mississippi, for the purpose of electing a qualified candidate to fill the position of Mayor of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi.

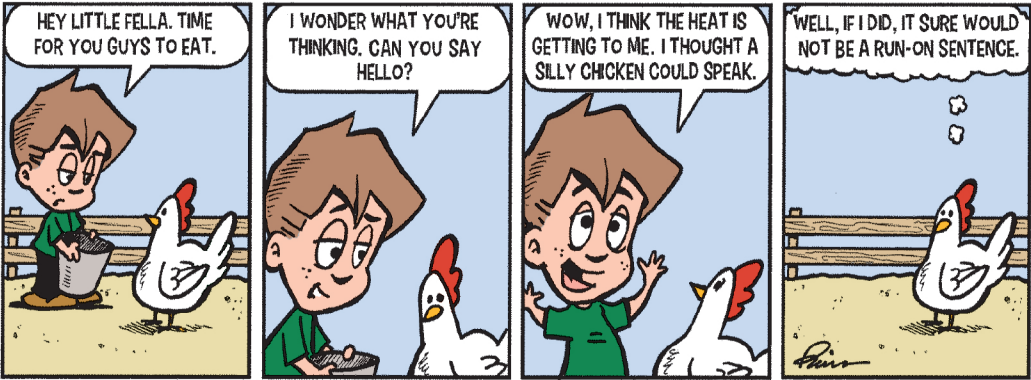
The nonpartisan Special Election will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at the Diamondhead Community Center located at 5300 Diamondhead Circle and City Hall 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead. The last day for interested candidates to qualify is August 26, 2020 by 5:00 p.m. Candidate information packets are available at City Hall Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Those interested must have prior to the election been a resident of the City of Diamondhead for two (2) years.

If no candidate in said election receives a majority of the votes cast therein, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall have their names placed on the ballot for a run-off election to be held three (3) weeks, thereafter.

So, **ORDERED AND DIRECTED** by the City Council of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi that a special election of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi residents shall be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020.

Jeannie Klein
City Clerk

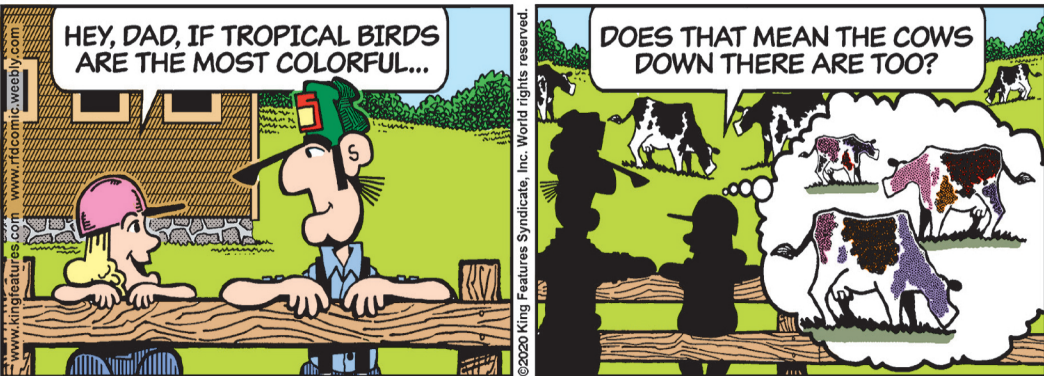
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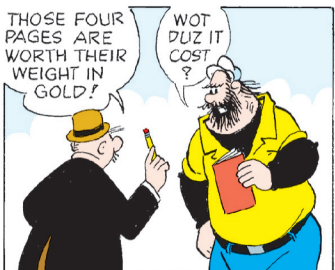
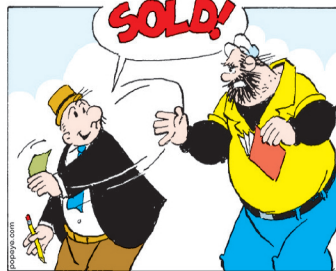
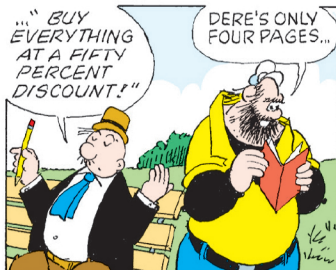
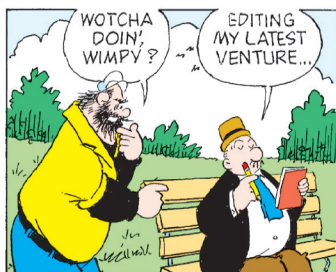
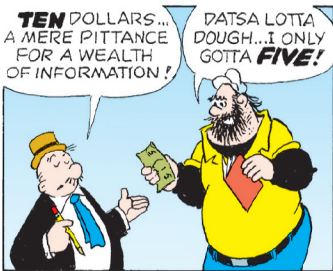
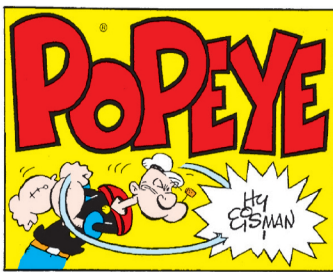
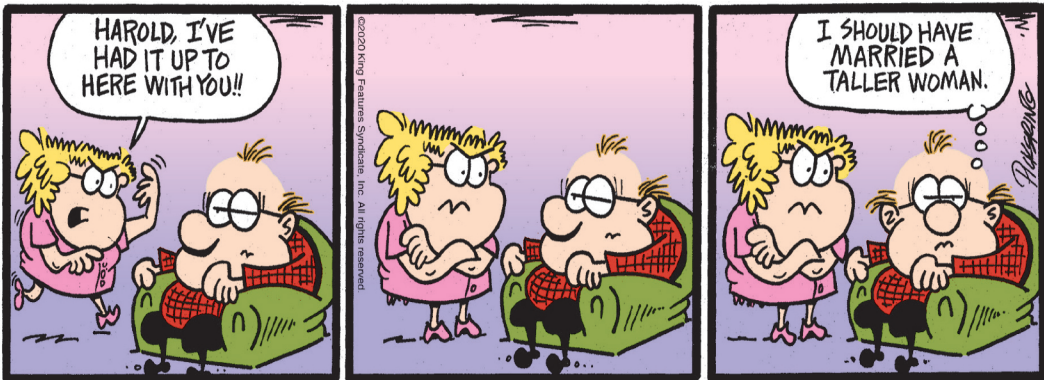
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Primitive				
FLAUDE				
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PHOILs				

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by Mike Marland

by Jeff Pickering

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Place for pampering
4 Bedouins
9 Gasoline stat
12 Samovar
13 Actress Zellweger
14 A billion years
15 Update
17 Bookkeeper (Abbr.)
18 Young fellow
19 Shun
21 Feast alternative
24 — land (spaced-out site)
25 Eggs
26 Attempt
28 Paul or Lloyd of baseball lore
31 Gear teeth
33 Collection
35 Go off the board
36 Central
38 Turf
40 Londoner's last letter
41 Reverberate
43 Hourglasses, e.g.
45 Common condiment (Var.)
47 Historic period
48 Boxing legend
49 Spellbind

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55 Cook with radiant heat
56 Cacophony
57 Chowd down
58 Impudent
59 Choose
9 Replace personnel with robots
10 Pontiff
11 Chew like chipmunks
16 Inventor Whitney
20 Dressed
21 Central points
22 Shakespear's river
23 Make attractive
27 Indeed
29 Always
30 Cincinnati team
32 Moments, for short
34 Re clan emblems
37 Compass points
39 In a catastrophic way
42 "The Phantom of the —"
44 Scratch
45 Vena —
46 Settled down
50 Old French coin
51 Altar affirmative
52 Energy
53 Med. specialty

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

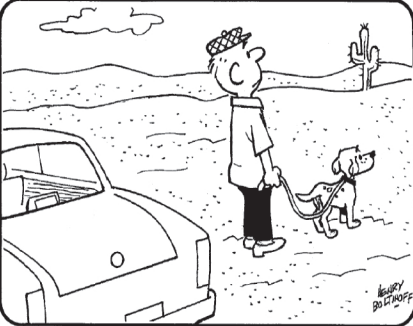
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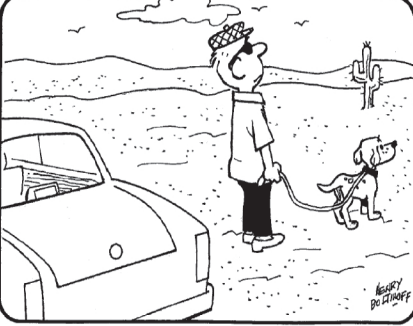
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Cloud has moved. 2. Sunglasses have been added. 3. License plate is missing. 4. Dog's leash is longer. 5. Birds have been added. 6. Cactus is closer.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: P equals R

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QMLQ HLPXT TLPQMGYLUT?

D ZYOOAZT MT BLZ ZMLUTF,

SYQ FAQ ZQDPPE!

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LOCUSTS

Today's Word

1. Limpet 2. Second: 3. Feudal; 4. Polish

SCRAMBLERS

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. U.S. STATES: Which state has the only flag that isn't rectangular?
2. GOVERNMENT: What is the subject of the eighth amendment to the U.S. Constitution?
3. TELEVISION: What was the name of Jed Clampett's bloodhound on "The Beverly Hillbillies"?
4. GEOGRAPHY: Which country is home to a giant formation known as Ayers Rock (Uluru)?
5. ADVERTISING: Which company's advertising mascot was a camel named Caleb?
6. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which 20th-century novelist wrote, "And all the lives we ever lived and all the lives to be are full of trees and changing leaves"?
7. MEASUREMENTS: How many tablespoons are in a half cup?
8. LITERATURE: What was the name of the tiger in "The Jungle Book"?
9. SCIENCE: When did the first space shuttle launch?
10. MOVIES: Which 1980s movie had the tagline, "He may be dead but he's the life of the party"?

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10. "Weekend at Bernie's"
9. 1981
8. Shere Khan
7. Eight
6. Virginia Woolf
5. GEICO
4. Australia
3. Duke
2. Prohibits cruel or unusual punishment
1. Ohio

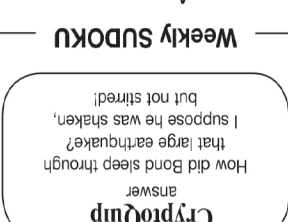
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Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

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Answer



The Community CALENDAR



SEPTEMBER 5

- St. Clare Catholic Church will host a Drive Thru dinner from noon until 7 p.m. This will feature seafood, BBQ plates, crab stuffed potatoes and desserts. This dinner has many of the great menu items that are available at the annual Seafood Festival, which was cancelled due to COVID and regulations regarding social distancing. Come out and get a “Labor Free” dinner and enjoy some great food.

SEPTEMBER 12

- Meet Mike Espy at the Bay St. Louis Depot from 4 to 6 p.m. Music by Greg B. Productions. Masks, chairs, and social distancing requested. Hosted by the Hancock County Federation of Democratic Women. Co-sponsors: Hancock County Democrats, Diamondhead DPI Alliance, Pass Christian Democrat Coalition, Pearl River Democrats, Waveland Helping Hands Organization, Community Wake-Up Organization, and Retrofit Community Organization.

SEPTEMBER 26

- Members of the Diamondhead Greenways and Blueways Committee are planning the first “Paddle Paradise” kayak event for Sept. 26 at the Marina Kayak Launch. The event is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m.

The distance is about four miles on part of the Rotten Bayou Blueway. There will be food, drink, and music at the Lazy Gator after the paddle. The band will perform from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The paddle will leave the marina and travel west on Paradise Bayou. Then, they will turn south towards Bay of St. Louis, then east paddling along the north banks of the bay before returning north into the channel in the marsh. Residents can call Bodega in Bay St. Louis to arrange to rent a kayak if they are interested in paddling, but don’t own a kayak.

NOVEMBER 7

- The Diamondhead Festival and BBQ Competition is set for Saturday, Nov 7, 2020. This is Veterans Day weekend, and we plan to celebrate our Vets with this event. The location is just west of the Diamondhead Marina on Airport Drive. Starts at 11 a.m. and ends at 8 p.m. We are discussing having a prayer service at 10 a.m. for the Veterans before the festival starts.

NOVEMBER 13

- The Pass Christian Yacht Club will host its 24th annual Holiday Boutique from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. More than 20 different shops and artists, jewelry, clothing, art, pottery, ornaments, handcrafted items, homemade en-

trees, and much more.

NOVEMBER 14

- The Pass Christian Yacht Club will host its 24th annual Holiday Boutique from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. More than 20 different shops and artists, jewelry, clothing, art, pottery, ornaments, handcrafted items, homemade entrees, and much more.

- The 5th annual Mermaids Arts and Crafts show will be held at the historic train depot, located at 1928 Depot Way, Bay St. Louis. The arts and crafts show features handmade goods such as jewelry, ceramics, and woodwork from artists all over the South and beyond. Show times are from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday. For vendor information or to learn more, please email info@thekreweofnereids.com or visit www.mermaidartsandcraftshow.com. You can also find them on Facebook. Vendor forms and sponsor forms are available on the websites.

Disclaimer: Events featured on the calendar page are printed at no charge and space permitting. Please keep submissions limited to about 100 words or less. Submissions are limited to community, educational, churches and non-profit organizations. Please submit your calendar entries electronically to gbelcher@seacoastecho.com.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEASE CITY PROPERTY

The City of Bay St. Louis, pursuant to Miss. Code Sect. 21-17-1, notices the public of its intention to lease certain City property, known as “Old City Hall,” located at 300 South Second Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Terms of the lease, including the length of the lease, will be negotiated with the City upon actual award. Please be aware that the Bidder will be responsible for all utilities and property taxes associated with the property and will be required to maintain insurance. The City hereby requests that interested parties, entities or persons submit its bid for monthly rent of the premises. Base Level is approximately 2,300 square feet, and Upper Level is approximately 2,300 square feet or the whole building with approximately 4,600 square feet. Building can be bid on by level or as a whole. Sealed bids should have the name of the entity/individual submitting the bid and “Intention to Lease City Property – 300 South Second Street” written on the outside of the bid envelope. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. By the submission of the bid proposal, the bidder expressly waives any right to seek damages, and acknowledges that the City is free to contract or not contract with any of the bidders. The City’s determination will be based on the highest and best bid received pursuant to Miss. Code Sect. 21-17-1 and other applicable law. The City will open the building units for interested bidders, upon their request, between the hours of 8:30 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) prior to Tuesday, September 22, 2020. All sealed bids must be received on or before Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 5:00 pm. All sealed bids should be delivered to the Council Clerk, BSL Conference Center, 598 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Bids will be opened, and taken under advisement, at 5:30 pm, September 22, 2020, during the regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

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Gridiron action heats up Friday night for area squads

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The day that we all thought would never arrive is practically here. On Friday, the area gridiron heats up with action despite the Covid-19 attempts to thwart it.

Three of the area's teams will be at home for the first week of action. The Bay High Tigers are set to host Forrest Countt AHS, the Pass Christian Pirates will welcome Purvis and Saint Stanislaus is set to entertain St. Martin. The Hancock Hawks are the lone squad set to take the road to Gautier for their matchup.

BAY HIGH TIGERS

The Tigers are coming off their first winning season since 2012 when they advanced to the Class 4A state quarter-finals. In 2019, the Tigers started the season 5-0 but ended the year with a 5-4 record.

First-year head coach Jeremy Turcotte, a 1996 Bay High alum, takes over for the departed Eric Collins. Turcotte is intent on taking the Tigers one step further in 2020 with a playoff berth.

His key ingredient in the roux to make the Tigers post season bound is attention to detail. He wants the Tigers to understand that it is the little things that make the difference between good teams and great teams.

Bay High returns three-year starting quarterback Josh Peters, the division's leading rusher in 2019 Noah Cutter, and the man-child in the middle of the line Seth Russo on offense. On defense, the Tigers will be paced by All-Division safety Carson Moran.

Bay High will feature ATH Hosea Singleton at wide receiver and corner back. Singleton provides a matchup problem on both sides of the ball and the coaches rave about his athleticism.

The community has rallied behind Turcotte and crew and the school district is putting the finishing touches on the new 10,000-square foot fieldhouse that will train multiple sports.

The Tigers and the Aggies have played 10 times and FCAHS owns the series record at 6-4. Last year, Bay High won 17-14.

Will these Tigers pay attention to the detail that Turcotte and crew have drilled into them since June 1. Can the Tigers take the next step? The first test is Friday at Joe D. McCullough Stadium/Tank Williams Field.

HANCOCK HAWKS

The Hancock Hawks lost their top two linemen in Christian Sapp and Quentin Fowler who have transitioned to South Alabama and Jones College, respectively.

But, there is tremendous optimism in Kiln for the Hawks. The school

district recently completed the athletic program's multi-sport 10,000-square foot fieldhouse and training facility.

The Hawks went 4-7 last year and came up just short in tight contests that could have gone either way.

Hancock will have to replace their top rusher Sebastian Fausett who tallied 1,360 yards and 14 touchdowns and top receiver in Jordan Zulli who caught 21 passes for 482 yards and four scores. The Hawks' top tackler Colby McGough also departed due to graduation along with his 108 tackles.

The Hawks return Semaj Robertson at quarterback who threw for 1,057 yards and seven touchdowns and rushed for 747 yards and seven touchdowns along with Cameron Ganier who recorded 96 tackles in 2019.

Other top returners include WR/S Blaine Knight, RB/DB Tanner Lemon, and WR Chris Bernard among others.

The Hawks face a daunting task as always in Region 4-6A but have all the pieces to make a run at a playoff spot.

The Hawks' first opportunity comes Friday night in the road against Gautier. Hancock owns the series record 2-1 and beat Gautier 28-14 last year.

PASS CHRISTIAN PIRATES

The Pirates are coming off their best season in school history under the current classification system. The Pirates went 8-4 in 2019 and also earned their first playoff victory in program history with a 35-20 victory over Purvis.

But, those highs in 2019 were brought back to reality by graduation as Pass Christian's offense

was decimated.

Dustin Allison threw for 3,123 yards and 35 touchdowns while also rushing for 609 yards and nine touchdowns. Andrew Moffett caught 52 passes for 1,085 yards and 10 touchdowns.

On defense the Pirates lose their top two tacklers in Reese Gorman and Gordon Ward who recorded 127 and 117 tackles, respectively.

The Pirates welcome back Kameron White who caught 48 passes for 1,009 yards and 11 touchdowns and Dylan Necaie who had 31 catches for 569 yards and five touchdowns.

Aiden Purchner and Xavian Chamberlain return to lead the defense after recording 58 and 76 tackles, respectively.

Davon Klein returns in the kicking game for Pass Christian after going 4-for-5 on field goals with three game winners and 50 PATs in 2019.

Pass Christian opens the season with a home game against Purvis. The Tornadoes own the series record 10-4 after Pass Christian collected two wins in 2019.

SAINT STANISLAUS

The Rocks advanced to the state playoffs last year for the seventh consecutive season and ended the year with a 6-5 record.

SSC will be replacing several key pieces on offense including QB Max Favre, WR Dallas Payne, WR Bradley Darby, TE Lee Negrotto, OL Seth Cook, and OL Hogan Benvenuti.

Favre threw for 3,086 yards and 39 touchdowns while completing 65% of his passes. Payne led the state in receptions with 85 for 1,231 yards and 17 touchdowns. Darby added

61 catches for 901 and nine touchdowns. Negrotto collected 31 passes for 480 yards and nine touchdowns.

Both Favre and Negrotto were first team All-State selections. Favre and Payne signed with Northeast Mississippi CC while Negrotto inked with Nicholls State.

SSC will look to either Alex Fabra or Gage Peterson at quarterback. Nour Tayara and Connor Ladner return at wide receiver. Kyle Stegall, Davien LaGarde and newcomer Chandler Chapman will all tote the mail in the backfield.

The offensive line returns starters Joe Bradford and Connor Moran; however, Andrew Dufrene, Jacob Bradford, Will Trapani and Ryan McClellon will chip in plays.

The Rocks return a salty defense with nine starters returning including the team's leading tackler Trustin Northington who recorded 96 stops in 2019.

Ryan Tyler, McClellon, Grant Sides, LaGarde, Destin Whavers, Gene Hoffman, Brady Favre and Blake Bilich all return to stop the opponent.

The Rocks open the 2020 season at home Friday night against the St. Martin Yellow Jackets. Last year, SSC fell 40-20 on the road. The series is tied 12-12.

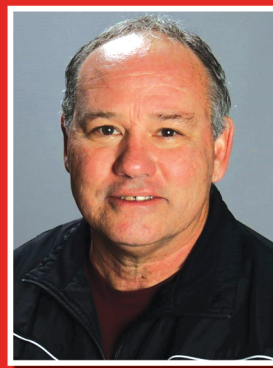
Can SSC's defense carry the team until the offense catches up? Can the Rocks make 2020 an eighth consecutive postseason appearance? The answer could be previewed 'between the walls' Friday evening.

All games are set to kickoff at 7 p.m. See you at the game!

VOLLEYBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK
REAGAN HUFF - Hancock High School
Reagan Huff helped lead her team to a victory against OLA in five sets last Tuesday



25-20, 23-25, 21-25, 25-21, and 16-14. In the match, Huff tallied 22 kills, 19 digs, 4 aces and 2 blocks. On Saturday, Huff helped her team to two wins in the OLA Kickoff Classic. The Lady Hawks beat Oak Grove 25-12, 25-16 and Bay High 25-21, 25-18. In the four games at the tournament, Huff tallied 24 kills, 26 digs, 4 aces and 2 blocks. Hancock is 3-2 overall on the season.



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WEDNESDAY 9-2-20

• Swimming: Hancock & Pass Christian at Biloxi Natatorium, 4 p.m.

THURSDAY 9-3-20

• Cross Country: SSC/OLA at George County, 4 p.m.

• Volleyball: Bay High at Poplarville, 6 p.m.

• Volleyball: Hancock at Ocean Springs, 6 p.m.

• Volleyball: OLA at Jefferson Davis, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY 9-4-20

• Football: Bay High vs Forrest County AHS, 7 p.m.

• Football: Hancock at Gautier, 7 p.m.

• Football: Pass Christian vs Purvis, 7 p.m.

• Football: Saint Stanislaus vs Saint Martin, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY 9-5-20

• Cross Country: SSC at Mobile Meet of Champions, 9:30 a.m.

• Volleyball: OLA at Gulfport, TBA

TUESDAY 9-8-20

• Swimming: SSC/OLA at Long Beach (Marsha Barbour Center), 5 p.m.

• Volleyball: Bay High at Vancleave, 6 p.m.

• Volleyball: Hancock at Gulfport, 6 p.m.

• Volleyball: OLA vs West Marion, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 9-9-20

• Swimming: Hancock at Biloxi Natatorium, 4 p.m.



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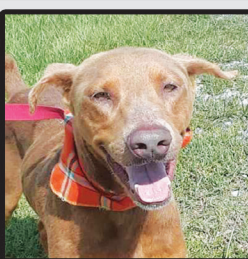
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YOUR LOCAL FOOTBALL PREVIEW 2020

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THE GRIDIRON - THIS IS MY CHURCH

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

In 2016 Maren Morris topped the country music chart with a song titled “My Church.” During the fallout from the pandemic and the loss of athletics, I heard this song again on Sirius XM on the ride home one afternoon earlier this summer. But, this time the song struck a different cord in the frontal lobe of my gray matter up top.

In fact, it struck me so hard that I quickly downloaded the song and it became perhaps my most favorite song in my playlist. It was during this pandemic when everything was, literally, taken from us that I realized just how important athletics are to society. More importantly, football is the lifeblood of the high school



High school football season begins this Friday night in Mississippi.

experience, small towns across Mississippi, and to the fabric that weaves this country together.

This past spring athletics were taken away in what many perceive as a rash decision and that included spring football. As we all meandered our way through the quarantine

and a slow reopening during the summer, we all wondered how, and if, athletics would find its own restart.

“I’ve cussed on a Sunday. I’ve cheated and I’ve lied. I’ve fallen down from grace a few too many times. But I find holy redemption” when I chart the plays

and walk them off yard by yard. Today, we are about to enter the gridiron for the start of the 2020 season but with a mindset of knowing how quickly it can be ripped from us again.

In two days, the limited number of fans that have been given the grace to enter those hal-

lowed cutouts on street corners from Booneville to Bay St. Louis, from Pelahatchie to Pass Christian and from Kosciusko to Kiln will cross the threshold to a place that I have come to call “My Church.”

In the past 28 years of coverage of high school athletics, I have witnessed Myles (Brennan) “bring the sermon” and Dylan (Favre) “lead the choir” at Saint Stanislaus.

At Bay High, I have seen Tank (Williams) preach his gospel and Trevor (Adam) lift his melody.

In Kiln, I have experienced Darryl (Williams) inspire the congregation and Chase (Fagan) electrify the masses with his finesse at Hancock.

Across the bridge in Pass Christian, I have been mesmerized by Calvin (Woods) and his quick comeback and Maurice (Hardnett)

charge up the middle of the verse.

All of those players from yesteryear have gotten “my cold, cold heart burning hotter than a ring of fire”.

During this pandemic and its awfully designed quarantine and shutdown, it kept us all away from being where we want to be and doing what we love to do. During that time, I realized that the gridiron is where I feel most at home and always at peace.

“When this wonderful world gets heavy and I need to find my escape”, I just keep walking off the yards and charting every play, “until my sins wash away”.

“Can I get a hallelujah? Can I get an amen?” We are about start the service we have all longed for during this shutdown at our favorite gridiron. “Yeah, I guess that’s my church.”

Where Are They Now & Who Is Still Playing?

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

Over the past several years, the area has seen its fair share of outstanding players who have been given a chance to suit up on the next level. Currently, there are nine players occupying spots on Division I rosters while others dot rosters at various other levels.

Saint Stanislaus leads the way with six of the nine players on Division I rosters including a starting quarterback in the Southeastern Conference.

Former SSC All-American and Mississippi’s all-time passing leader Myles Brennan is set to start the 2020 season at quarterback for the defending national champion Louisiana State University Fighting Tigers.

Brennan enters the year as a redshirt junior and has seen action in 15 games completing 42-of-70 passes for 600 yards and two touchdowns.

Brennan’s top target in high school was former SSC All-American tight end Chase Rogers who signed with Louisiana out of high school. He was a third-team All-Sun Belt selection his freshman year. He entered the transfer portal and sat out last season at



Former SSC All-American and Mississippi’s all-time passing leader Myles Brennan is set to take over as quarterback for the LSU Tigers this fall. Brennan is a redshirt junior for the Tigers.

Ole Miss. Rogers is eligible to play in 2020. He figures to earn playing time for the Rebels as he is one of two tight ends on the roster that has any experience on the Division I gridiron.

Former SSC standout tight end Darius Pittman graduated from Purdue University in December 2019 after playing two seasons for the Boilermakers. He entered the transfer portal and landed at Temple University where he figures to be the starter for the Owls. He is eligible immediately.

Former SSC All-State wide receiver Corbin

Blanchard enters his senior season at Air Force where he will push for playing time.

Former SSC All-State safety JD Rutherford completed his time at Jones County Junior College and now finds himself in the gold and black at the University of Southern Mississippi. After just three weeks of practice in Hattiesburg, Rutherford is listed #2 on the depth chart at strong safety for the Golden Eagles and will push to get playing time this fall.

True freshman and former All-State tight end Lee Negrotto is

making strides at Nicholls State University. Negrotto is expected to push for playing time early but Nicholls State has cancelled football for the fall.

Thomas Weber is a junior defensive lineman for the Majors of Millsaps College.

The Hancock Hawks have three Division I players on a roster from the area in OL Christian Sapp who now suits up for the Jaguars of the University of South Alabama, FB Ray Ladner at Southern Mississippi, and WR Brooks Rayburn at Nicholls State. Sapp, a true fresh-

man, will be learning from one of the best offensive line coaches in the region under Steve Campbell.

Ladner, a redshirt junior at USM, lines up at fullback and on special teams for the Golden Eagles. He saw action in all 13 games in 2019. He caught four passes for 38 yards and two touchdowns.

Rayburn spent the 2019 season as a redshirt wide receiver. Rayburn is expected to push for playing time when Nicholls State returns to the field.

Bay High has three players competing at

the next level. Jordan Calomese will line up at tight end for MGCCC while Jaylan Wilson will suit up for Delta State after playing the last two seasons at PRCC.

Cade Compretta is beginning his sophomore season at PRCC as a linebacker.

Pass Christian has three players at the next level including Landon Wimberly who begins his senior season at Millsaps College where he also runs track.

Damonta May is starting his sophomore season at PRCC while Dustin Allison is a freshman in Poplarville.



THE 2020 BAY HIGH TIGERS VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM

Tigers aim to improve on success from a year ago

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The Bay High Tigers finished 2019 with a 5-4 record and a winning season for the first time since 2012 when the Tigers advanced to the Class 4A state quarter-finals.

First-year head coach Jeremy Turcotte is intent on duplicating the success and taking one step further in the development of the program and return to the postseason.

Turcotte commented, “We have received outstanding support from the community and the players have responded to what we have asked of them despite the current situation with the pandemic. There have been hurdles unlike anyone has seen before when trying to navigate this pandemic and the situations that it presents. We have talked with the players at length about being ready for anything and emphasize that little things matter. The community has been behind us every step of the way.”

The Tigers currently sport a roster that consists of 68 players in grades 9-12 which is a larger group than 2019.

The Tigers will be without the services of TE/DE Jordan Calomese who now suits up for MGCCC, ATH Sam Sheppard, OL Nathan Fleming, OL Darius Alexander, and OL/DL Chase Necaie among others all lost due to

2020 BAY HIGH TIGER FOOTBALL					
JERSEY	NAME	GRADE	JERSEY	NAME	GRADE
2	Jahmyraa Terry-Hawkins	12	46	Zach Bingham	12
4	Joshua Bell	12	50	Vincent Lan	10
5	Jhireyn Ducee	9	51	Devon Rando	12
6	Ashton Lang	10	52	Caleb Stieffel	12
7	Josh Peters	12	54	Christian Key	9
8	Ben Wilmon	10	55	Ethan Garcia	10
9	Mason Gray	10	57	Larry Lee	9
10	Tysen Hawkins	10	59	Daniel Moore	10
11	Terron Bedford	11	60	Ajamian Barnes	12
12	Carson Moran	11	62	Gavn Bullock	12
13	Hayden Hearty	9	63	Urbano Mendez	11
14	Hosea Singleton	12	64	Mike Smith	9
17	Fisher DeCamp	11	65	Colin Robinson	10
18	James Sullivan	12	67	Ziron Brown	9
19	Layland Adams	10	69	Kenny Torres	9
20	Kelvin Lameux	9	70	Xzylaman Mewborn	10
21	Carmello Simpson	10	71	Roy Reyes	9
22	Kyle Fayard	12	72	Eli Duplantis	9
23	Daniel Hartley	12	73	Connor Summers	10
24	Noah Cutter	11	74	Ja'Kahriion Woodson	11
26	Michael Bell	10	75	Malachi Adamo	9
27	Brayson Johnson	10	77	Jayden Martinez	10
28	Ayden Christophe	9	78	Devon Gaspard	11
29	Jahmar Terry-Hawkins	9	79	Brian Lewis	12
30	Brennan Acosta	9	81	Seth Russo	12
31	Brandon Walker	9	84	Vash Wells	9
32	Jace Sandrock	9	88	Steven Bell	9
33	Johan Smith	11	90	Trevor Bordelon	12
34	Noah Diebeaux	9	92	Rain Smith	12
35	Caleb Rando	9	95	Keegan Lewis	12
36	Jesse Rego	9	MGR	Clinton Walker	11
37	Robert Hoyt	9	MGR	Grace Adkins	10
40	Cameron Bourgeois	10	MGR	Eddie Besse	10
44	Lawrence Peterson	10	MGR	Kaitlynn Fayard	11
Head Coach - Jeremy Turcotte Defensive Coordinator - Greg Necaie Offensive Line Coach - Jordan Sutherlin Linebackers Coach - Pat Fontenot Offensive Line Coach - Logan Lisenbea DBs Coach - Austin Herrington WRs Coach - David D'Angelo RBs Coach - Pete Decoteau Athletic Trainer - Jeff Bosarze					
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graduation.

Despite the voids left by those seniors, Turcotte is optimistic about his squad that is a year older in several positions.

The Tigers return QB Josh Peters, OL Seth Russo, OL Urbano Mendez, TE Terron Bedford, RB Carmello Simpson, and RB Noah Cutter on the offensive side of the ball.

Peters is a three-year starter at quarterback while Cutter is the leading returning rusher in Division 8-4A.

Russo has been a letterman since the eighth grade and his hard work has resulted in offers from practically every junior college program in the state.

On the defensive

side of the ball, the Tigers bring back Russo, DL Kyle Fayard, DL Ajamian Barnes, DL Devon Rando, and DE James Sullivan on the front line.

The Tigers will sport a young linebacking corps including Fisher DeCamp, Lawrence Peterson, and Johan Smith.

In the defensive backfield, first team All-Division performer Carson Moran returns to wreak havoc along with DB Josh Bell, DB Daniel Hartley, DB Ben Wilmon, and DB Tysen Hawkins.

Turcotte and crew receive impact newcomers in Hosea Singleton and Devin Gaspard.

Singleton transferred to Bay High from Bay Springs last year and is

Bay High School 2020 Football Schedule

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9-25-20

10-2-20

10-9-20

10-16-20

10-23-20

10-30-20

FORREST COUNTY AHS

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PERRY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

MCCOMB HIGH SCHOOL

PASS CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL#(HC)

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MOSS POINT HIGH SCHOOL#

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- DIVISION 8-4A GAME
HC - HOMECOMING HOMECOMING
& - SENIOR NIGHT

a senior. He provides a big, athletic body to the receiving corps on offense and punishing mentality to the defensive backfield.

Gaspard is a transfer from across town and looks to shore up holes on both sides of the line.

In addition to handling head coaching duties, Turcotte will call his own plays on offense. Former Bay High standout Greg Necaie returns to the sideline after a one-year hiatus as defensive coordinator.

Jordan Sutherlin, a 2011 Bay High graduate, will coach the offensive line along with Logan Lisenbea. Pat Fontenot, a 2010 Bay High alum, will coach linebackers. Austin Herrington will take over coaching defensive backs while David D'Angelo is set to coach wide receivers. Pete Decoteau is coaching running backs.

Turcotte added, “These players have really taken responsibility for getting prepared for

this season. They know that it can be taken away from them in an instant. They have been vigilant about not being where they should not for risk of being exposed to the virus.

“This is a team of leaders. I commend our players for responding the way they have in this situation. I also commend our administration for being proactive in our approach. They have given us the tools to be successful.”

The school district is

nearing completion of their newest crown jewel in the district which will be a multi-purpose fieldhouse complete with training rooms. It is expected to be unveiled in the coming weeks.

As Turcotte stated, the Tigers have the pieces and parts now they just need to put the puzzle pieces in place. The Tigers open their journey in 2020 Friday against Forrest County AHS at Joe D. McCullouch Stadium/Tank Williams Field.

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THE 2020 SAINT STANISLAUS COLLEGE ROCK-A-CHAWS VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM

SSC Rock-a-Chaws look to fill big holes in 2020

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The Saint Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws graduated several key cogs in their machine that have advanced to the Class 4A state playoffs for the last seven consecutive seasons.

The Rocks went 6-5 in 2019 which was head coach Nate Encrapera’s second season at the helm of the program.

The Rocks graduated two All-State players in WR Dallas Payne and TE Lee Negrotto. SSC also lost to graduation WR Bradley Darby, RB, Brandon Bordelon, QB Max Favre, OL Seth Cook, OL/DL Hogan Benvenuti, and LB Thomas Williams.

Payne led the state

St. Stanislaus College 2020 Football Schedule

9-4-20	SAINT MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL	HOME
9-11-20	OPEN	
9-18-20	LONG BEACH HIGH SCHOOL	AWAY
9-25-20	POPLARVILLE HIGH SCHOOL	HOME
10-2-20	MOSS POINT#	AWAY
10-9-20	BAY HIGH SCHOOL# (HC)	HOME
10-16-20	ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC	AWAY
10-23-20	VANCLEAVE HIGH SCHOOL	AWAY
10-30-20	PASS CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL	HOME

- DIVISION 8-4A GAME
HC - HOMECOMING
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in receptions with 85 in 2019 to go along with 1,231 yards and 17 touchdowns while Negrotto added 31 catches for 480 yards and nine touchdowns.

Negrotto signed with Nicholls State following the season while Payne is suiting up with North-

east Mississippi CC this fall.

Last year, Favre led Class 4A with 3,086 Yards passing and 39 touchdowns while Darby also caught 61 passes for 901 yards and nine touchdowns. Favre joined Payne at North-east Mississippi CC.

Both Cook and Benvenuti anchored both sides of the line throughout the season while Williams tallied 59 tackles, three fumble recoveries and an interception.

In 2020, the Rocks return nine starters on defense which means

that the salty players will have to heed the call to toe the line until the offense catches up.

SSC head coach Nate Encrapera commented, “We, as a staff, could not be more proud of a group of young men and how they have responded to the pandemic situation than this group. We started meeting on Zoom in March when the shutdown took place and had nearly 100% participation when we were allowed to return on June 1. This team is ready to take the field against an opponent other than themselves.”

Encrapera saw many bright spots on offense once his team was able to get back to work on June 1. He raved about returning wide receivers Nour Tayara and Connor Ladner and how they

have improved their route running and ball skills while getting bigger. Encrapera also added that JaKobe Cameron will be in the mix as a newcomer to the varsity rotation.

In the offensive backfield, the Rocks return Kyle Stegall and Davien LaGarde at running back while Alex Fabra and Gage Peterson are battling it out at quarterback to replace Favre.

A newcomer to the squad that Encrapera is excited to see in action is sophomore RB Chandler Chapman.

On the offensive line, Joe Bradford returns for his third season. He is a year older in technique and leadership. Connor Moran returns

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Hancock Hawks excited about the 2020 season

BY DWAYNE BREMER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

High School football is back on the Mississippi Gulf Coast and hopes are high in Kiln where the Hancock Hawks are looking for a succesful season on the gridiron.

“I think our players and coaches have done a great job so far considering the circumstances with the Covid virus,” Head Coach Neil Lollar said. “We have a few holes to fill this year, but we have a lot of players with experience and they will not be scared of the Friday night lights.”

The Hawks open the season this Friday when they travel to Gautier.

Hancock’s biggest strength this year will be with their skilled position players on offense. Leading the way is senior quarterback Sema’J Robertson. Robertson is a dynamic duel-threat quarterback, accounted for 14 total touchdowns and more than 1,500 yards from scrimmage last year.

“Sema’J had a good offseason and his knowledge of the offense will allow us to expand the playbook,” Lollar said. “I’m excited to see what pur offense will be able to do.”

Robertson will be joined in the backfield by Junior running backs Pierre Fowler, Wyatt Ladner and Kaleb Crowe. Sophomores Max Garrett and Nathan Cranmer will also get their chance to contribute on the varsity level.

Senior wide receiver Chris Benard will lead



DUE TO DELAYS CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE HANCOCK HIGH SCHOOL HAWKS FOOTBALL TEAM PHOTOGRAPH HAS NOT YET BEEN TAKEN.

HANCOCK HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

SEPT. 4	GAUTIER	AWAY
SEPT. 11	STONE COUNTY	HOME
SEPT. 18	LANIER (JACKSON)	AWAY
SEPT. 25	LAKESHORE (MANDEVILLE)	AWAY
OCT. 2	ST. MARTIN	AWAY
OCT. 9	GULFPORT	HOME
OCT. 16	D’IBERVILLE	AWAY
OCT. 23	HARRISON CENTRAL	HOME
OCT. 30	BILOXI	AWAY

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a talented wide receiver corps that will compliment the Hawks rushing attack. Benard has started the past two years and racked up more than 1,000 yards in his career so far. In addition to Benard, Kyle Shippey and Tyler Ahlers, both starters last year, are also returning.

Starting tight end Michael Nelson is also returning this season. Nelson had his 2019 season cut short due to an injury, but he is now fully healthy. Joey Alligood will also play tight end this season.

The Hawks’ biggest question mark on offense will be on the line. The Hawks lost four starters to graduation, two of which garnered FBS scholarships.

“Last year, our offensive line was our biggest strength,” Lollar said. “We have some

talented younger guys, but we want to see how they play against other competition.”

Cody Breland is the lone returning starter on the offensive line.

Others, such as Brenham DeWitt, Tyler Bennett, and Ron Ladner say some action in 2019.

Ryder Island and D’Kari Smith, both defensive starters are also expect-

ed to play some offensive line. “We will have some guys playing both ways at first,” Lollar said. “Our depth is a little down, but hopefully, some guys will strep up and earn a starting position. On defense, the Hawks return seven staters for 2019.

Island and Smith will be mainstays on the line, along with Dewitt, Nathinel Greenroad, Tristsan Varnado, and others.

Senior Cam Ganiem will lead the linebacker corps. Other projected starters include Gabe Beech, Nicholas Lawler, and Bryson Adam.

In the secondary, ball-hawking safety Tanner Lemon returns for his senior season. Lemon collected four interceptions and two fumble recoveries in 2019. Lemon also led the Hawks in punt return yardage in 2019.

Rounding out the secondary, projected starters include Shippey,

Cameron Miller, and Nate Thompson.

Finn Cowand will handle the kicking duties and Brandon Kink will be the punter.

The Hawks will have a challenging schedule which starts Friday at Gautier. In week two, the Hawks will host Stone County, and in week three, they will travel to Northeast Lauderdale.

The Hawks then will play a seven game district schedule which includes Ocean Springs, Biloxi, Gulfport, St. Martin, D’Iberville, West Harrison, and Harrison Central.

“I’m glad we have three games to play before our district schedule,” Lollar said. “It will give us time to work on things and iron out some starting spots. I’m not sure what to expect with the district. Everyone is facing the same challenges. Our goal is to get some experience and continue to improve.”

HANCOCK HIGH SCHOOL ROSTER

KYLE SHIPPEY
SEMA’J ROBERTSON
BRANDON KING
MASON CRANMER
CHRIS BERNARD
GABE BEECH
MAX GARRETT
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THE 2020 PASS CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM

Pirates aim to keep their Cinderella story going

BY HUNTER DAWKINS
GAZEBO GAZETTE

Coming off a Cinderella story of 2019 with their first playoff victory since the Mississippi High School Activities Association began keeping records, the Pass Christian Pirates have to replace a number of key players.

Finishing 8-4 with a 35-20 win over AAAA playoff opponent Purvis

in the first round, the Pirates are in search of restoring a high-powered offense that produced just shy of 5,000 yards total offense.

Newly hired Head Football Coach Patrick “Chase” Carmody comes from Pearl, Mississippi, where he previously served as the defensive coordinator since 2016 says, “We have a great group of kids that have worked extremely hard to get to where we are now.”

Further discussing his feelings about the kids going through the 2020 global pandemic year Carmody stated, “They (Pass Christian Pirates) have been great at overcoming adversity and finding a way to get better every day and have a young team with a ton of potential. I’m excited to see how the team comes together this season.”

KEY RETURNING PLAYERS:
Dylan Necaise - 31

receptions, 569 yards receiving, 5 touchdowns
Kameron White - 1313 all purpose yards, 12 touchdowns
Kain Lally - Offensive Line
AJ Mitchell - 19 total

tackles, 2 tackles for loss
Michael Ezell - 46 tackles, 7 tackles for loss, 1 sack
Aiden Purchner - 58 tackles, 7 tackles for loss, 1 sack, 2 fumble

recoveries
Jaylen Acker - 23 total tackles, 1 interception
Xavian Chamberlain - 2 touchdowns receiving, 76 tackles, 2 fumble recoveries

Pass Christian High School Football Team Roster

1 Brady Blackburn	30 Deon Dedeaux	82 Kobe Bradley
1 Terry Patton Jr	30 Mikhail Trotter	83 Cameron Schwartz
4 Montrel McGowan	38 KJ Labat	83 Davon Klein
5 Jaylin Acker	40 Bryce Roach	85 Julius Grady
7 Dylan Necaise	42 Karsten Mooney	88 Cameron Richey
9 Austin Scanlan	43 Litmaine Magee	95 Blake McMasters
10 Xavian Chamberlain	44 Jayden Acker	Matthew Stubbs
11 Ladd Scriber	50 Reese Wittmann	JJ Rials
12 Aden Purchner	52 Cade Trochesst	Briar Williams
14 Thomas Gorman	54 Karmelo Tops	Logan Brand
17 Will McGuire	55 Joshua Brown	Reis Baughman
17 Kendell Miller	58 Dane May	Terré Johnson
18 Will Scriber	60 Terry McLaughlin	Dylan Albert
19 Michael Ezell	61 Harley Blanton	Brad Frederick
20 ZeMylan Coleman	62 Kain Lally	Alden Brand
20 Andre Gilberti	68 Jonathan Dantzler	Steven Labat
21 Bryant Piernas	72 Andrew Mitchell	Jacob Walkman
22 Larry Burks	74 Dylan Thomas	JD Glorioso
23 Montrell McGowan	76 Drake Pond	Davin Scandurro
24 Chris Alexander	77 Xavier Henderson	Kaleb Coffman
26 Jaxson Favre	77 Tony Bishop	Kevin Reese
28 Tristan Stewart	78 Randall Bourgeois	Trevyn Perone
28 Blake Donoho	78 J.D. Glorioso	Cade Trochesst
29 Micah McKay	80 Dae’Quon Ambrose	Titus Schwartz
29 Emmanuel Williams	82 Garrison Beatty	Anthony Jamison

Pass Christian High School Schedule

SEPT. 4	PURVIS	HOME
SEPT. 11	WEST HARRISON	AWAY
SEPT. 18	NORTH PIKE	HOME
SEPT. 25	PERRY CENTRAL	AWAY
OCT. 2	BAY HIGH	AWAY
OCT. 16	VANCLEAVE	HOME
OCT. 23	MOSS POINT	HOME
OCT. 30	ST. STANISLAUS	AWAY

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2020 Saint Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws Varsity Football Roster

Name	Position	Jersey
Davien Lagarde	RB/DB	1
Grant Sides	DB	2
Ja’kobe Cameron	WR/DB	3
Gene Hoffman	DB/K	4
Conno Ladner	WR	5
Andrew Mayer	WR/DB	6
Destin Whavers	DB	7
Brady Favre	DL	8
Trustin Northington	DB	9
Alex Fabra	QB/LB	10
Chandler Chapman	RB/DB	11
Danyen LeLeaux	WR/DB	12
Canye Bankston	LB	13
Will Dreher	QB	14
Kyle Stegall	RB	15
Nour Tayara	WR/DB	17
Gage Peterson	QB/LB	18
Joshua Hartl	QB	19
Shane Ketchens	WR/DB	25
Heith Shinn	RB/DB	28
Chesley Rhodes	RB/LB	30
Brady Logan	DB	31
Clayton Bryan	LB	41
Bobby Creely	LB/WR	42
Gordon Licciardi	LB/WR	44
Jaden Tran	WR/DB	45
Levi Green	LB/WR	48
Jaxon West	OL/DL	50
William Trapani	OL	51
Benjamin Cappel	OL/DL	52
Fulton Ascherl	TE	53
Ryan McClellon	DL	54
Jacob Hanlon	LB	55
Ryan Tyler	DL	56
CharlieBrown	DL	57
Elijah Sahuque	OL/DL	58
Kaiden Clement	DL	59
Spencer Cornell	OL/DL	65
Hunter Holland	OL	66
Layne Hearty	OL/DL	67
PrenticeWallace	DL	68
Andrew Dufrene	OL	70
Jacob Bradford	OL/DL	71
JosephBradford	OL	72
Connor Moran	OL	74
Evan Boyd	OL/DL	75
William Buice	OL	77
Cooper Schatzle	LB/WR	82
Blake Bilich	LB	88
BrandonRhodes	LB/TE	89
Ladd Gex	MGR	

• ROCKS

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after having 2019 cut short due to injury. Also joining them on the line will be William Trapani, Andrew Dufrene, Jacob Bradford, and Ryan McClellon.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Rocks return their most seasoned group with nine starters coming back.

Trustin Northington led the Rocks with 96 tackles and four picks last year and returns for his senior year at safety. He is joined in the backfield by strong safety Grant Sides who had six picks, two blocked kicks and 41 tackles.

Rounding out the backfield is LaGarde, Gene Hoffman and Destin Whavers.

Two-year starter at defensive end Ryan Tyler takes a step back to the second level to help shore up the linebacking corps with Blake Bilich. They recorded 48 and 86 tackles, respectively.

Up front, the defensive line will see a rotation of McClellon, Joe Bradford, Moran and Brady Favre.

Encrpera stated, “The older players have taken responsibility for the younger players meaning that they are helping coach them up in the system daily. They are helping to create a lineage which falls in line with what we are trying to do here at SSC which is player devel-

opment. We wake up on Sunday morning and we are 0-0. We expect to get better each week. Our goal remains to get into the playoffs and try to string four wins in a row and make a run.”

Encrpera will handle head coaching duties and will be making the calls as defensive coordinator.

John Haberman returns as offensive coordinator while Jeff Jordan and Jordan Skinner ‘18 will coach the offensive

line. Jake Robinson returns to coach the defensive line while Mark Logan ‘86 will coach the safeties.

Rahman McGill will coach the corner backs and Irby Dossett ‘14 will coach the wide receivers. Edwin Sheridan serves as the special teams coordinator.

The Rocks open the 2020 season at home against the Saint Martin Yellow Jackets. Last year the Rocks fell 40-20 on the road. The journey for the Rocks’ eighth consecutive play-off appearance begins Friday night.





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